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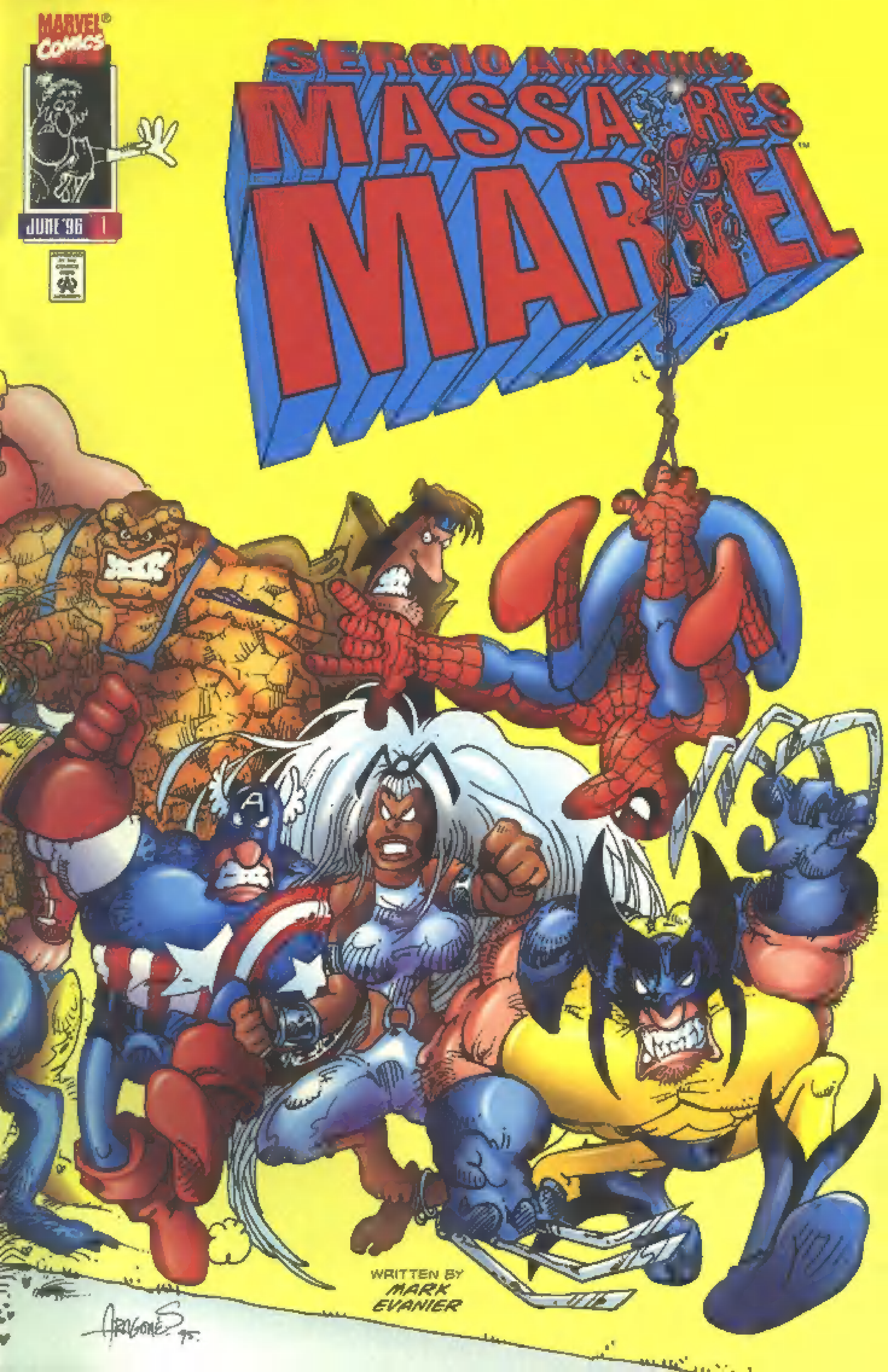
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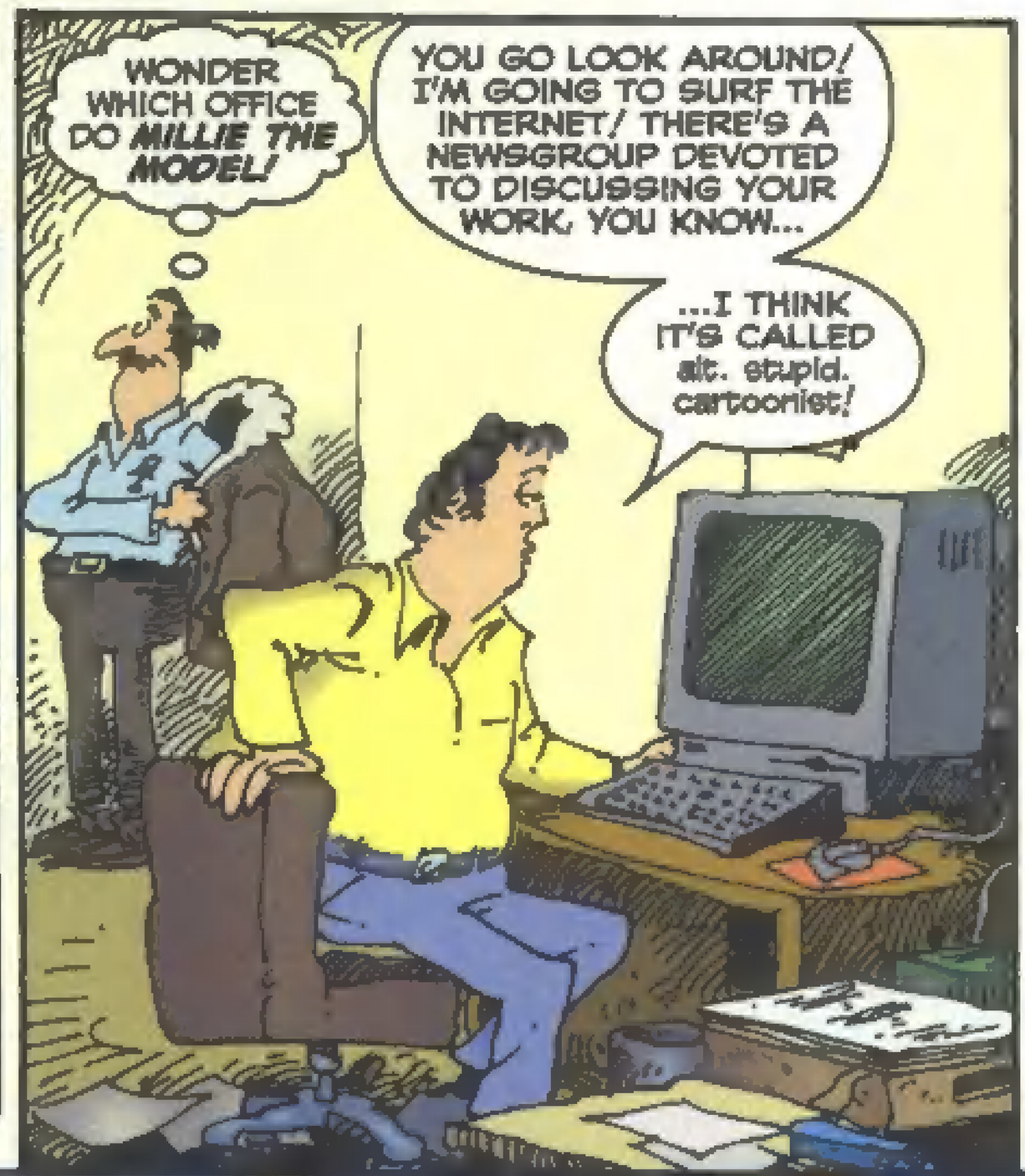
YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, ON WEST PARK AVENUE IN NEW YORK...

Ah, MARK -- HERE WE ARE, MARVEL OFFICES! THEY WILL LOVE OUR NEW COMIC, NO?

WHAT CHANCES YOU THINK THERE IS, THEY OFFER US LOTS OF MONEY FOR IT?

Oh... ABOUT THE SAME AS THE CHANCES OF O.J. CATCHING THE REAL KILLERS.



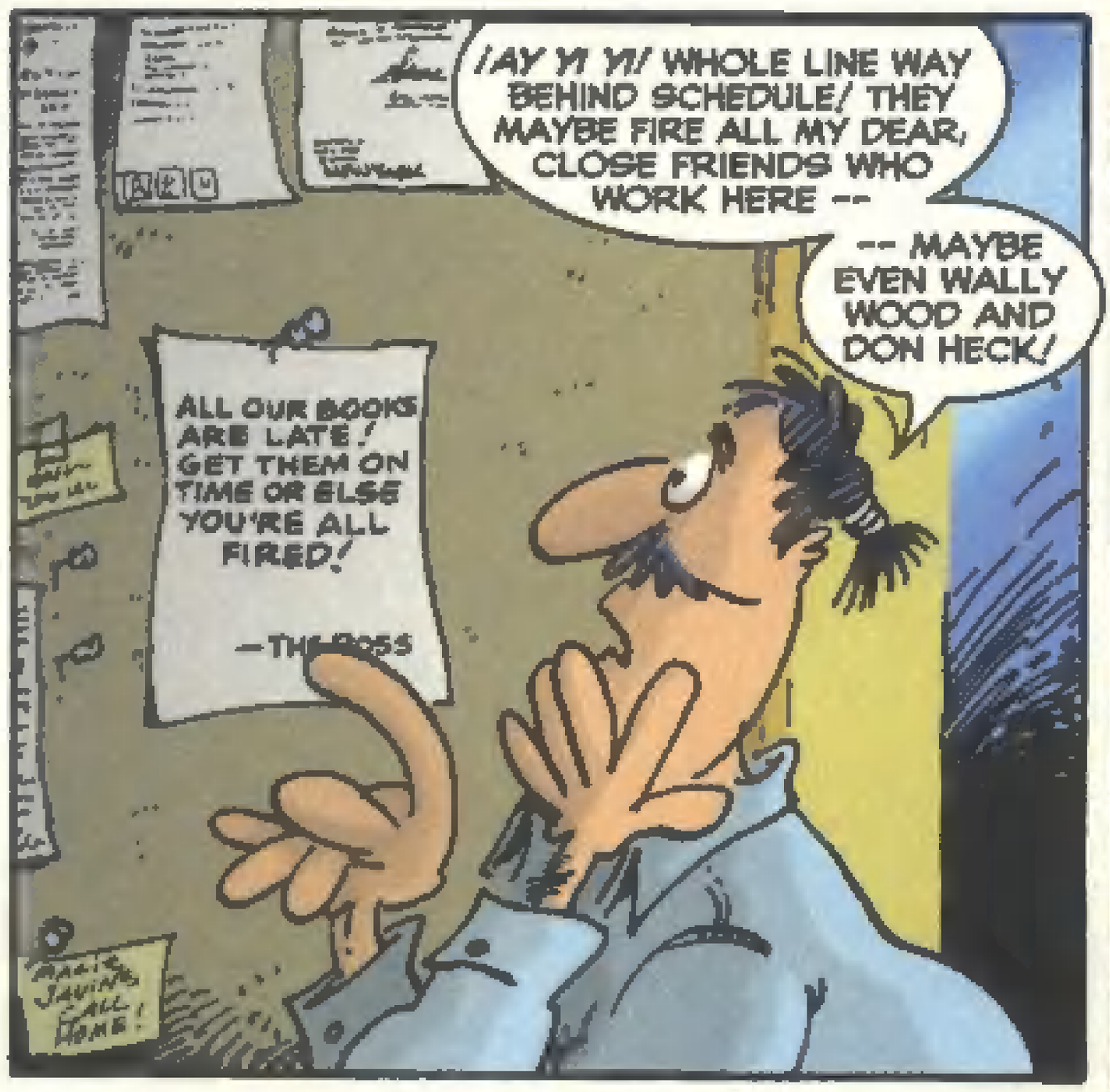
MESSAGES MUY IMPORTANTE...

...WRITER LOOKING FOR WORK... "WILL SCRIPT FOR FOOD."

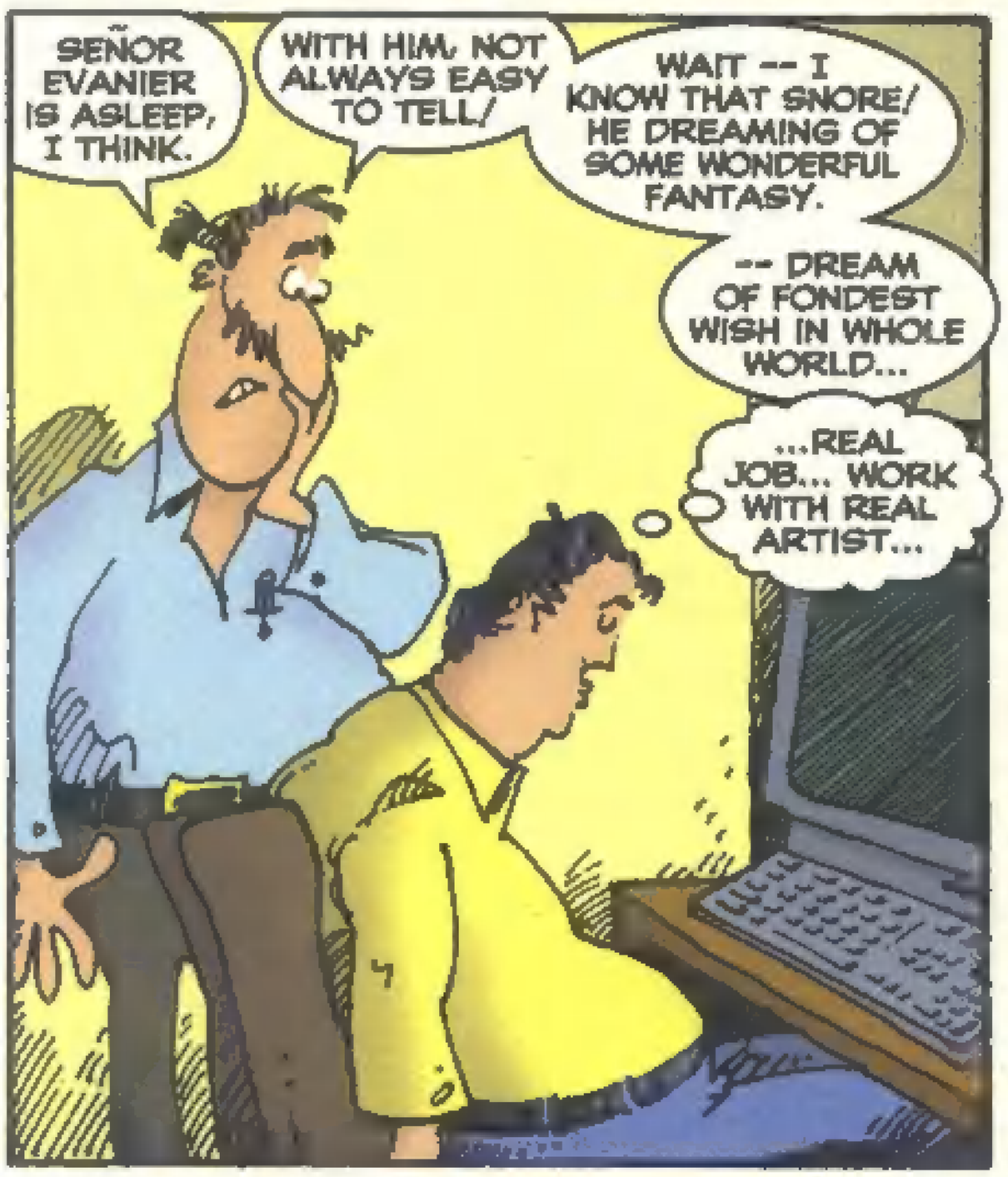
...OFFICE TAKING UP COLLECTION TO BUY PETER DAVID A LAST NAME...

...COMPANY CONDUCTING INTERNAL INVESTIGATION ON LIBELOUS RUMORS THEY ONCE PUBLISH GROO...

...ANNUAL MARVEL-DC NUDE BEACH PARTY. Oh, I HOPE JULIUS SCHWARTZ NOT GO...


/AY YI YI/ WHOLE LINE WAY BEHIND SCHEDULE/ THEY MAYBE FIRE ALL MY DEAR, CLOSE FRIENDS WHO WORK HERE --
-- MAYBE EVEN WALLY WOOD AND DON HECK/
ALL OUR BOOKS ARE LATE! GET THEM ON TIME OR ELSE YOU'RE ALL FIRED!
—THE BOSS

WHAT ME DO? WHAT ME DO?
I KNOW/ I ASK MARK/ HE ALWAYS SAY SMARTEST THINGS --
-- ESPECIALLY IN STORIES WHERE HE WRITE DIALOGUE/


SEÑOR EVANIER IS ASLEEP, I THINK.
WITH HIM, NOT ALWAYS EASY TO TELL/
WAIT -- I KNOW THAT SNORE/ HE DREAMING OF SOME WONDERFUL FANTASY.
-- DREAM OF FONDEST WISH IN WHOLE WORLD...
...REAL JOB... WORK WITH REAL ARTIST...

AH/ SOMEONE LEAVE SCRIPT FOR COMIC STORIES IN PRINTER/ HERE MY CHANCE, SAVE EVERYONE'S JOBS... BE BIG HERO/
THEY THANK ME, LOVE ME... MAYBE EVEN SELL ME COMICS AT HALF-PRICE/

OTHER ARTISTS DRAW SO SLOW... WASTE TIME ON SILLY THINGS LIKE PERSPECTIVE AND ANATOMY/ BUT SERGIO IS FAST/
I DRAW ALL COMICS BEFORE STAFF RETURN... GET ALL BOOKS ON SCHEDULE...
...AND I EVEN FIX STORY FOR THEM... IMPROVE MANY THINGS...

MEN CALL ME *THE WATCHER*, AS DO CERTAIN WOMEN IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD...

FOR CENTURIES, I WATCHED THE TRIBULATIONS OF THE UNIVERSE. THEN I RETIRED AND NOW I ONLY WATCH *CABLE TV*...

... I WAS SO SICK OF SEEING *"QUIZ SHOW"* THIS MONTH THAT I TURNED MY ATTENTION BACK TO *EARTH* AND FOUND *HURRICANES*...

AND TO THINK, WE MOVED FROM CALIFORNIA TO GET AWAY FROM THE EARTHQUAKES!

STOP

... AS WELL AS *EARTHQUAKES*...

AND TO THINK, WE MOVED FROM FLORIDA TO GET AWAY FROM THE HURRICANES!

... AND PERHAPS THE MOST DEVASTATING, LIFE-RENDING TRAGEDY OF THEM ALL...

THIS JUST IN: SINGER MICHAEL JACKSON AND HIS WIFE, LISA-MARIE PRESLEY, ARE ENGAGED IN A BITTER DIVORCE DISPUTE.

SHE HAS VOWED TO MAKE MICHAEL PAY THROUGH THE NOSES.

FAR BELOW THE OCEAN, IN THE DOMAIN OF PRINCE NAMOR...

YOU *DARE* TO COME BEFORE ME AND DEMAND MY *KINGDOM?* WHO BE YOU, INTERLOPER?

I "*BE*" THE SEAGOING SOARER AND THE OCEANS ARE NOW MY DOMAIN... AS THE LAND SHALL ALSO SOON BE!

SURRENDER PEACEFULLY. DO NOT FORCE ME TO USE MY AQUATIC POWERS!

I AM THE SUB-MARINER AND I HAVE AWESOME MIGHT WITH WHICH TO PUNISH MY ENEMIES!

YOU SHOULD SEE WHAT I DID TO THE GUY WHO GAVE ME THIS HAIRCUT!

I *WARNED YOU!* I HAVE THE POWER TO CONTROL WATER, INCLUDING *FREEZING* IT --

-- LIKE THAT! BEHAVE YOURSELF OR YOU WILL WIND UP IN A *BIG GULP* SOMEWHERE!

... AND SO, THE ONE CALLED THE *SEAGOING SOARER* BEGAN HIS REIGN OF CONQUEST...

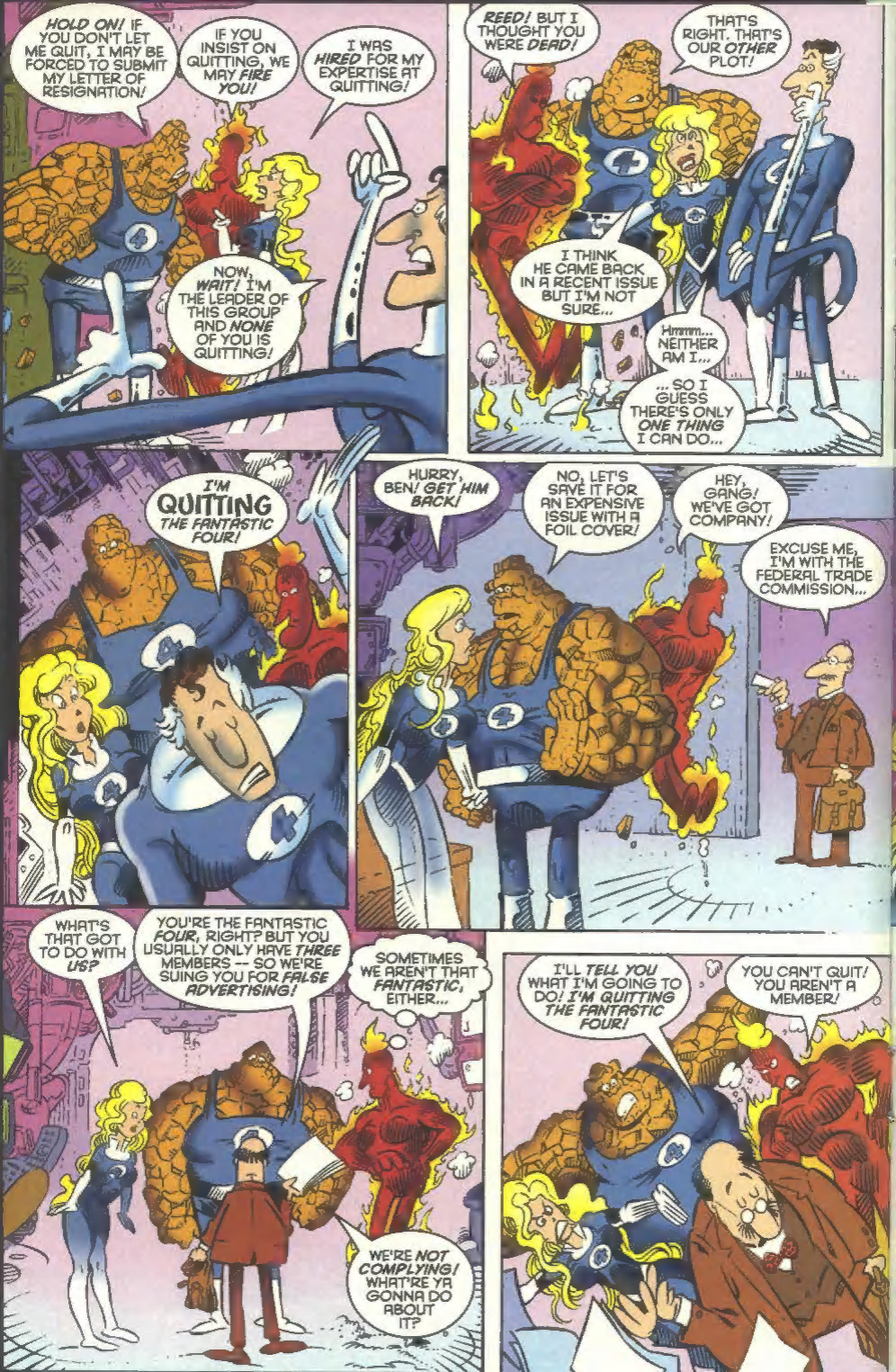
I SHALL BEGIN MY REIGN OF CONQUEST!

SEE? I TOLD YOU SO! AND NOW, IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME, "*Mr. SATURDAY NIGHT*" IS ON CINEMAX...

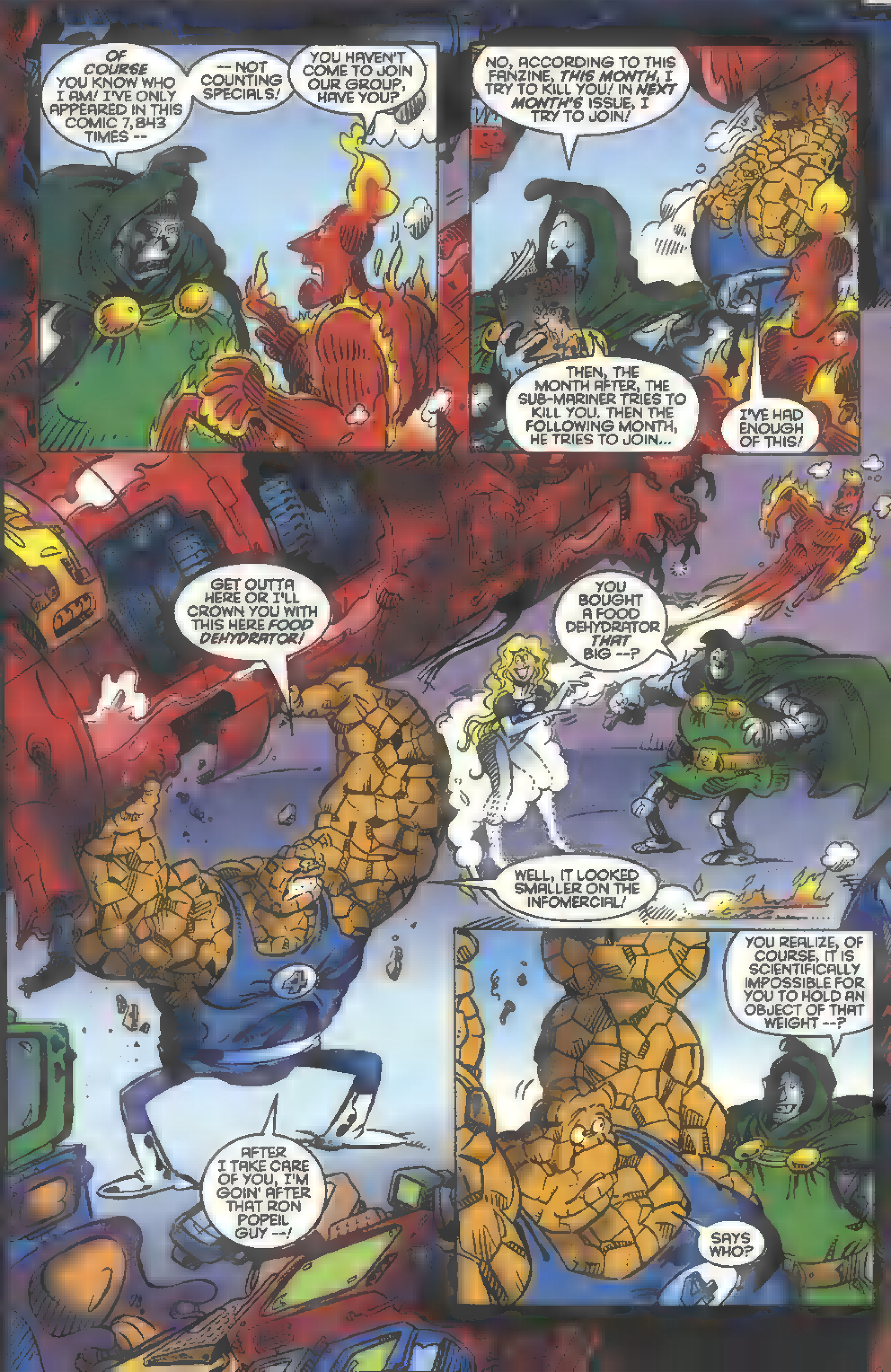
Stan Lee presents the Fantastic Four

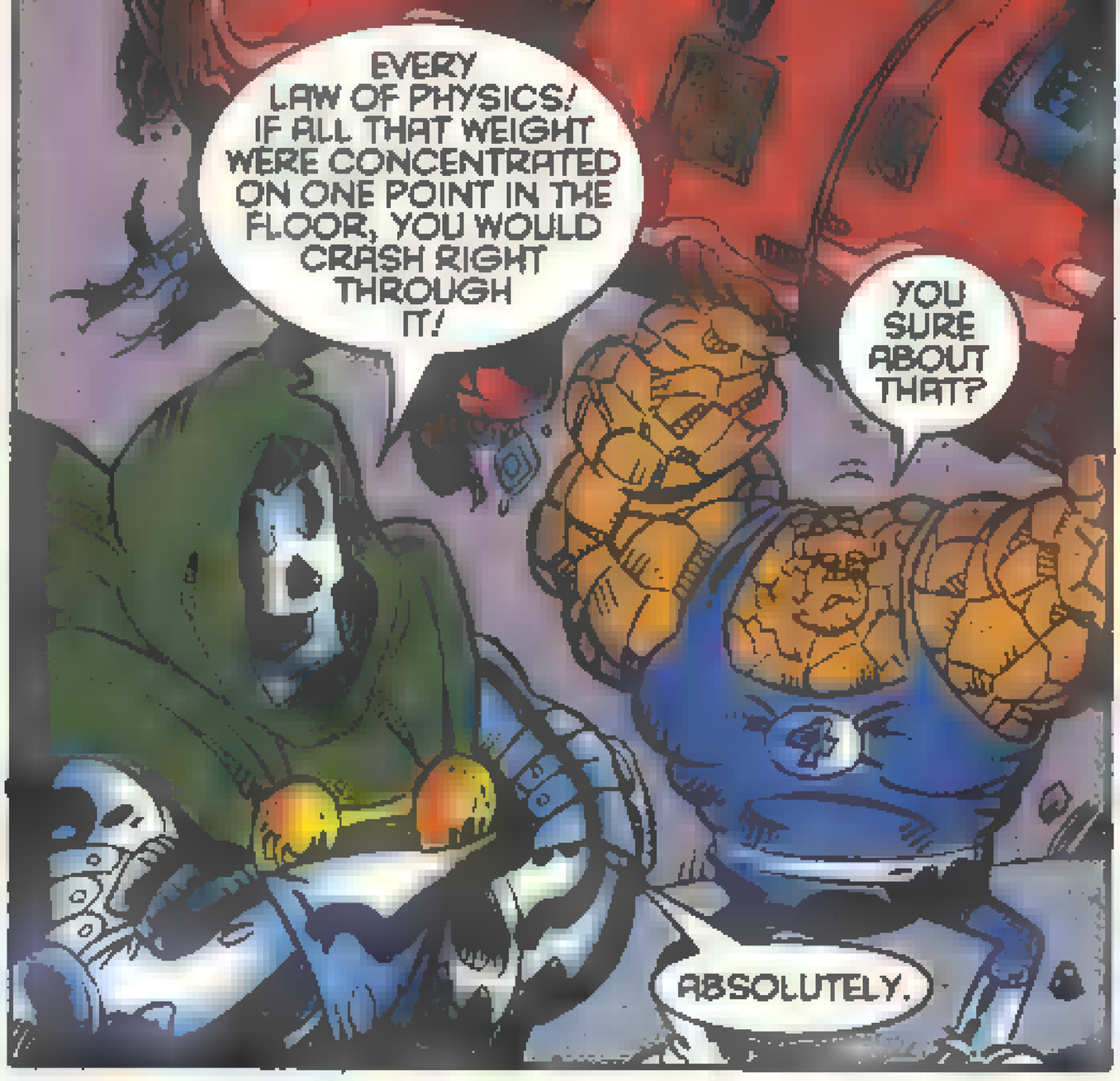
BEHOLD... A PALE IMITATION!

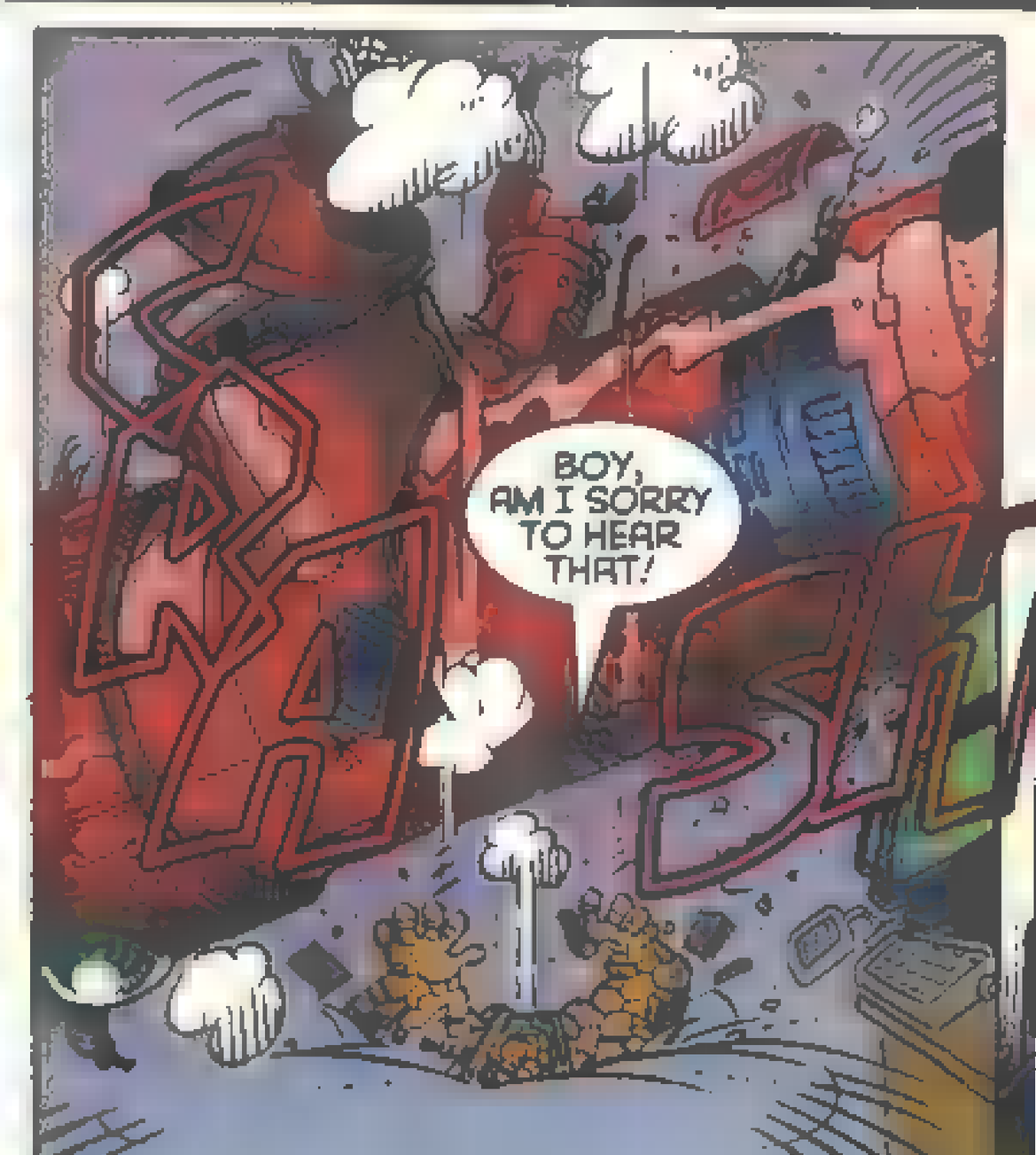
NO, WE THINK YOU CAN'T QUIT BECAUSE IT'S NOT YOUR TURN!
SUE'S RIGHT! YOU QUIT LAST TIME!
FLAME ON!
THAT ANNOYS ME SO MUCH I'D QUIT IF I WEREN'T ALREADY QUITTING!
OKAY, MISTER!
YOU CAN'T JUST GO LEAVING THIS GROUP ANY TIME YOU FEEL LIKE IT!
WHAT DO YOU THINK WE ARE? THE REPUBLICAN PARTY?
DON'T YOU TELL ME I CAN'T QUIT ANY TIME I WANT TO!
CHECK THE ROSTER!
YOU'VE ALREADY QUIT THIS GROUP THIRTY-SEVEN TIMES! GIVE SOMEONE ELSE A CHANCE!
IN FACT, I AM SO FURIOUS AT YOU FOR QUITTING THAT...
... I'M QUITTING THE FANTASTIC FOUR!
HOLD IT, JOHNNY! YOU CAN'T QUIT!
AND GIVE ME ONE GOOD REASON WHY NOT!
I'LL TELL YOU WHY NOT! YOU CAN'T QUIT BECAUSE...
... BECAUSE I'M QUITTING THE FANTASTIC FOUR!


HOLD ON! IF YOU DON'T LET ME QUIT, I MAY BE FORCED TO SUBMIT MY LETTER OF RESIGNATION!
IF YOU INSIST ON QUITTING, WE MAY FIRE YOU!
I WAS HIRED FOR MY EXPERTISE AT QUITTING!
NOW, WAIT! I'M THE LEADER OF THIS GROUP AND NONE OF YOU IS QUITTING!
REED! BUT I THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD!
THAT'S RIGHT. THAT'S OUR OTHER PLOT!
I THINK HE CAME BACK IN A RECENT ISSUE BUT I'M NOT SURE...
Hmmm... NEITHER AM I...
... SO I GUESS THERE'S ONLY ONE THING I CAN DO...
I'M QUITTING THE FANTASTIC FOUR!
HURRY, BEN! GET HIM BACK!
NO, LET'S SAVE IT FOR AN EXPENSIVE ISSUE WITH A FOIL COVER!
HEY, GANG! WE'VE GOT COMPANY!
EXCUSE ME, I'M WITH THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION...
WHAT'S THAT GOT TO DO WITH US?
YOU'RE THE FANTASTIC FOUR, RIGHT? BUT YOU USUALLY ONLY HAVE THREE MEMBERS -- SO WE'RE SUING YOU FOR FALSE ADVERTISING!
SOMETIMES WE AREN'T THAT FANTASTIC, EITHER...
WE'RE NOT COMPLYING! WHAT'RE YA GONNA DO ABOUT IT?
I'LL TELL YOU WHAT I'M GOING TO DO! I'M QUITTING THE FANTASTIC FOUR!
YOU CAN'T QUIT! YOU AREN'T A MEMBER!

BEWARE! DAREDEVIL IS HERE!
OH, SORRY! I THOUGHT THAT WINDOW WAS OPEN!
I WILL BE YOUR FOURTH MEMBER!
AND YOU ALL KNOW WHO I AM! I'M IRON MAN!
I'M NOT SURE WHO'S WEARING THE ARMOR THESE DAYS EITHER, BUT I AM IRON MAN!
I WILL BE YOUR FOURTH MEMBER!
AND THOU ART IMPRESSED THAT THEE AM THOU... UH...
NEVER MIND! I AM THOR AND I WILL BE YOUR FOURTH MEMBER!
YOU CAN'T ALL BE OUR FOURTH MEMBER! THEN WE'D HAVE SIX MEMBERS!
WELL, IF THAT'S HOW YOU FEEL, YOU LEAVE US BUT ONE CHOICE...
I HAD TO BE BORN INTO A LINE THAT POPULARIZED SUPER-HEROES WHO BICKER --!
WE'RE ALL QUITTING THE FANTASTIC FOUR!
AAA
BUT... BUT...
EXCUSE ME, BUT WHERE IS THE CAN?
THIRD DOOR ON THE LEFT, JUST PAST THE NEGATIVE ZONE!
WAIT A MINUTE! I KNOW WHO YOU ARE!


OF COURSE YOU KNOW WHO I AM! I'VE ONLY APPEARED IN THIS COMIC 7,843 TIMES --
-- NOT COUNTING SPECIALS!
YOU HAVEN'T COME TO JOIN OUR GROUP, HAVE YOU?
NO, ACCORDING TO THIS FANZINE, THIS MONTH, I TRY TO KILL YOU! IN NEXT MONTH'S ISSUE, I TRY TO JOIN!
THEN, THE MONTH AFTER, THE SUB-MARINER TRIES TO KILL YOU. THEN THE FOLLOWING MONTH, HE TRIES TO JOIN...
I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF THIS!
GET OUTTA HERE OR I'LL CROWN YOU WITH THIS HERE FOOD DEHYDRATOR!
YOU BOUGHT A FOOD DEHYDRATOR THAT BIG --?
WELL, IT LOOKED SMALLER ON THE INFOMERCIAL!
AFTER I TAKE CARE OF YOU, I'M GOIN' AFTER THAT RON POPEIL GUY --!
YOU REALIZE, OF COURSE, IT IS SCIENTIFICALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR YOU TO HOLD AN OBJECT OF THAT WEIGHT --?
SAYS WHO?





STOP HIM, JOHNNY!

TASTE FIRE, DOOM!

SEETHING WITH FURY, THE HUMAN TORCH UNLEASHES A TORRENT OF FIREBALLS...

THEY CAN *SEE THAT*, YOU IDIOT WRITER!

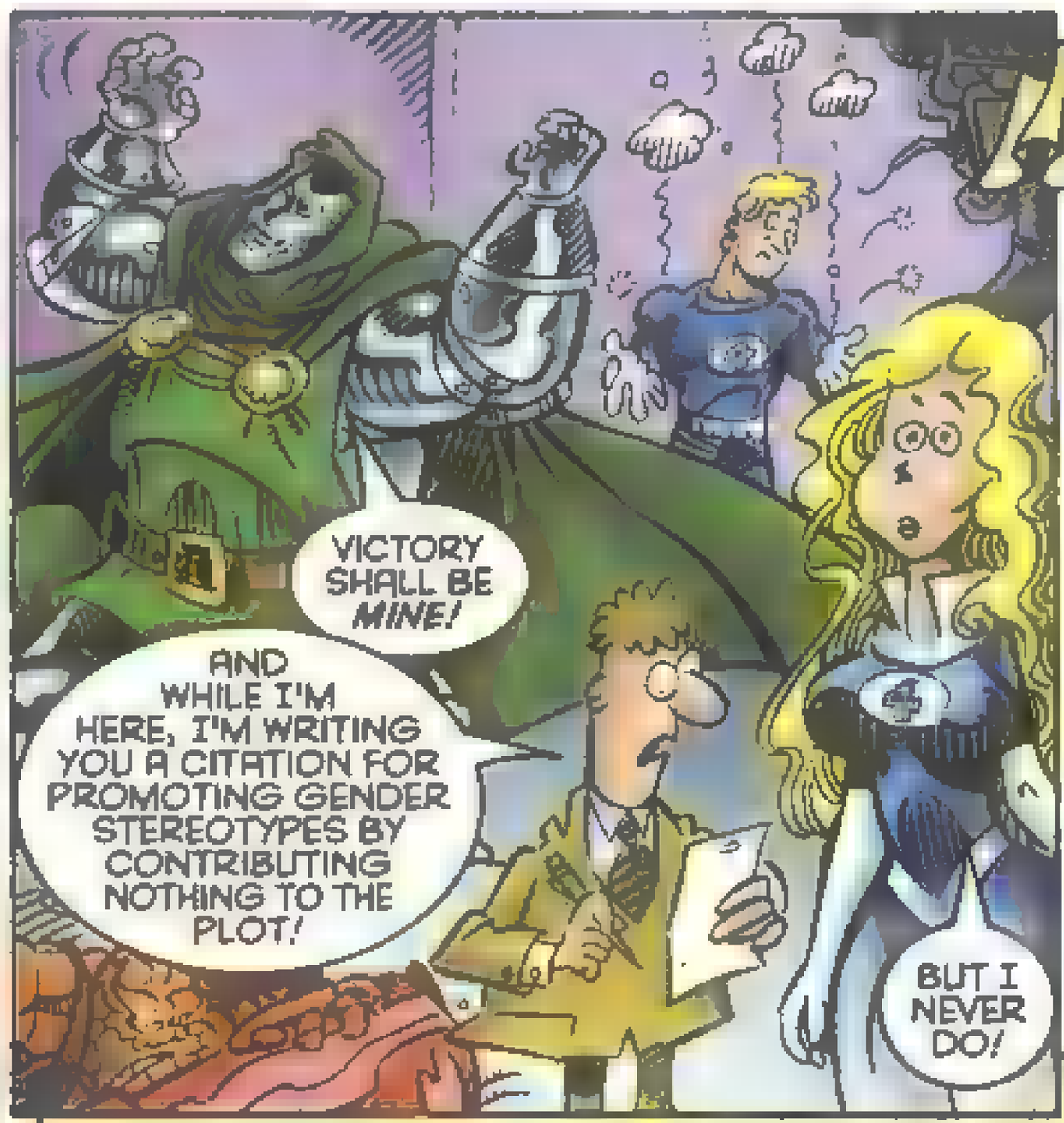
MOREOVER, I KNOW PRECISELY HOW TO DEAL WITH THEM!

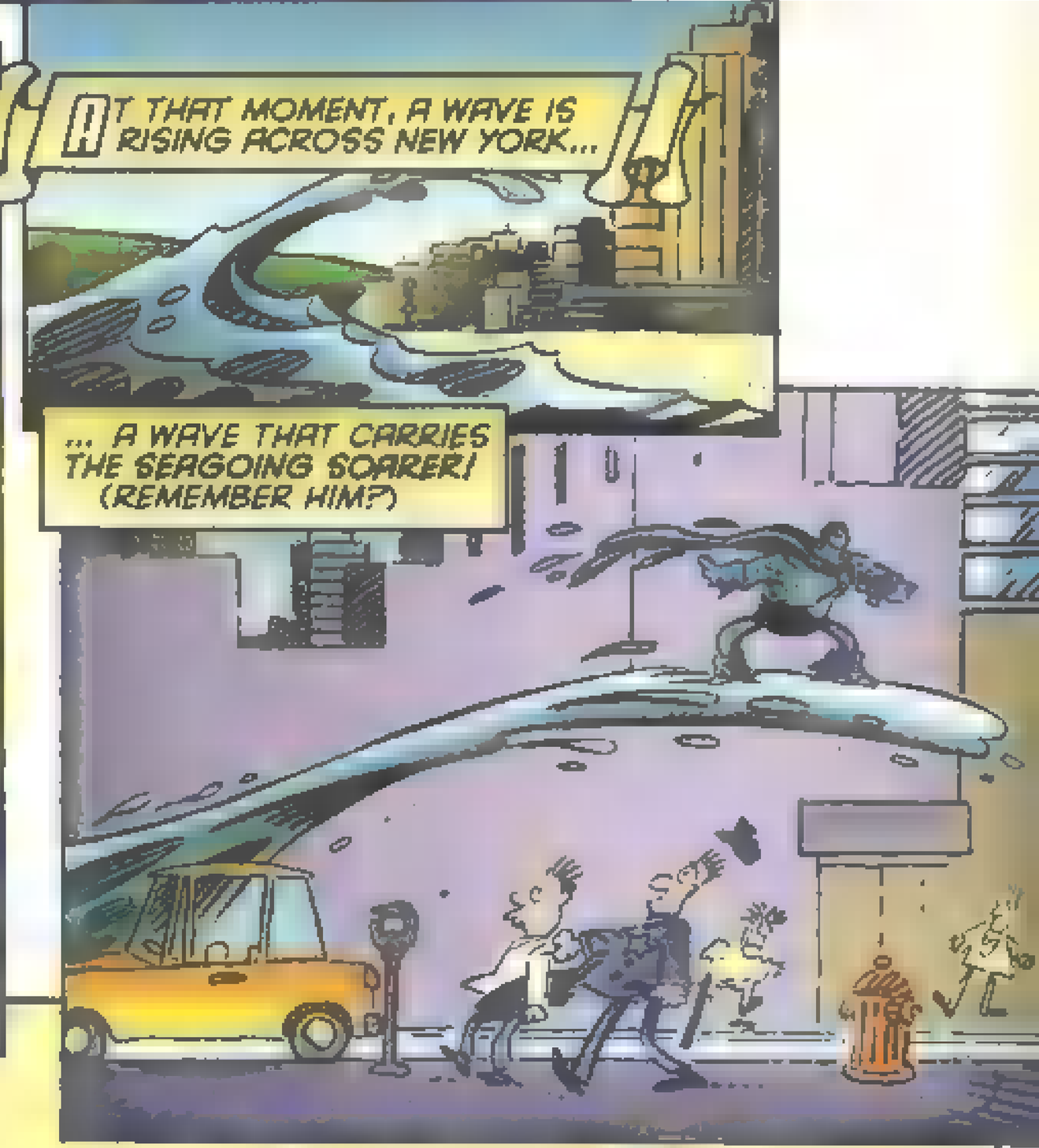
Oh MAN FROM THE POLITICALLY CORRECT SQUAD! COME OUT HERE AND ENFORCE THE POLITICALLY CORRECT STATUTES!

HERE I COME! THIS ENTIRE BUILDING HAS BEEN DESIGNATED A *"NO SMOKING"* AREA!

BY THE WAY, THIS FIRE EXTINGUISHER DOES NOT HARM THE OZONE LAYER!

FOOM!





UNDER HIS CONTROL, THE WAVE CARRIES HIM INTO THE LAB OF THE FANTASTIC FOUR... OR THREE...

THE DEFENSES OF THE BAXTER BUILDING PROVE AS USELESS AS RUSH LIMBAUGH'S FACT CHECKER...

HEY! I'M THE VILLAIN IN THIS STORY! DIDN'T YOU READ THE ADVANCE SOLICITATION?

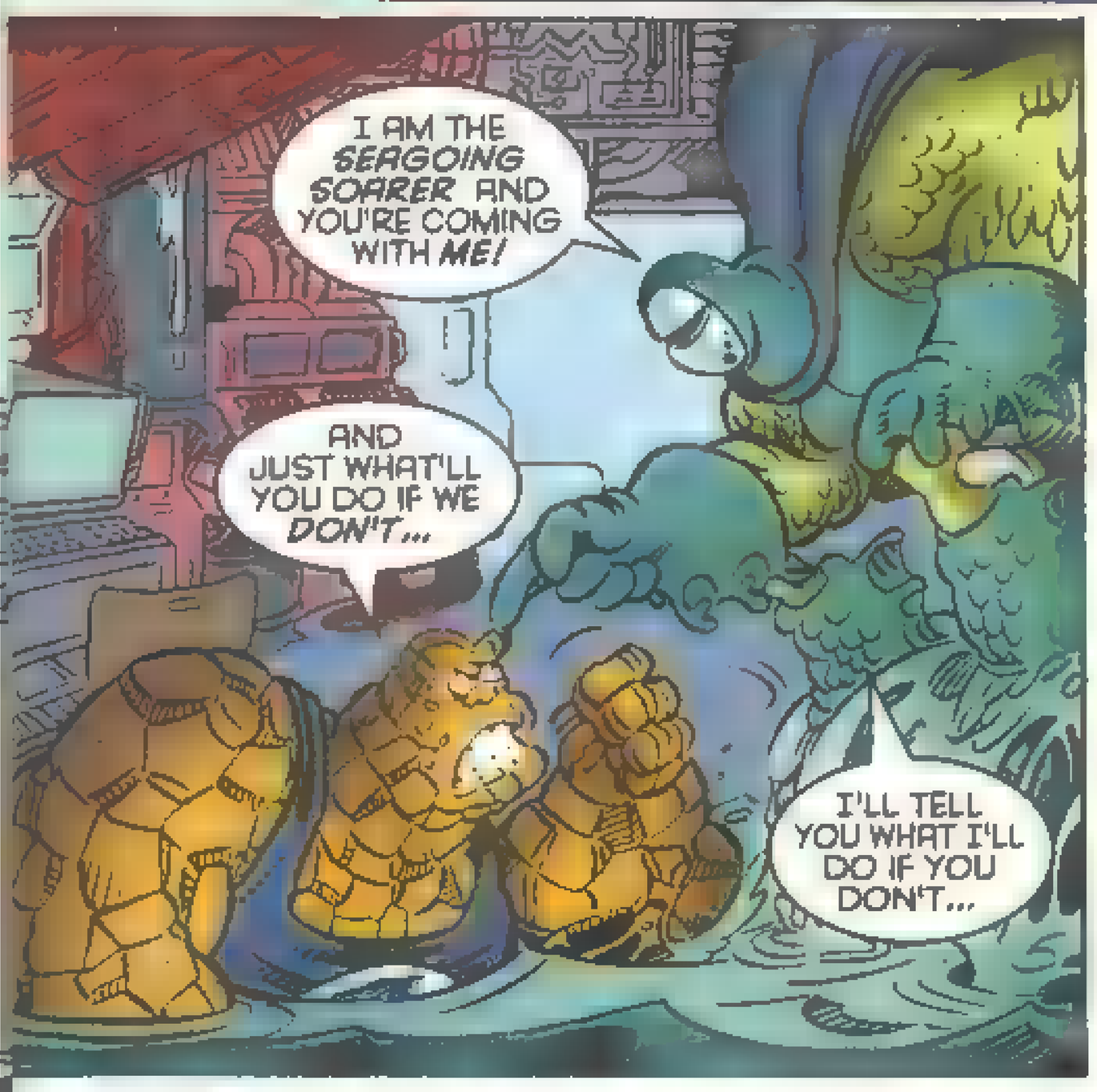
THIS SHOULD TAKE THE FIGHT OUT OF YOU ALL!

NOW THE LANDLORD WILL CHARGE US FOR JACUZZI!

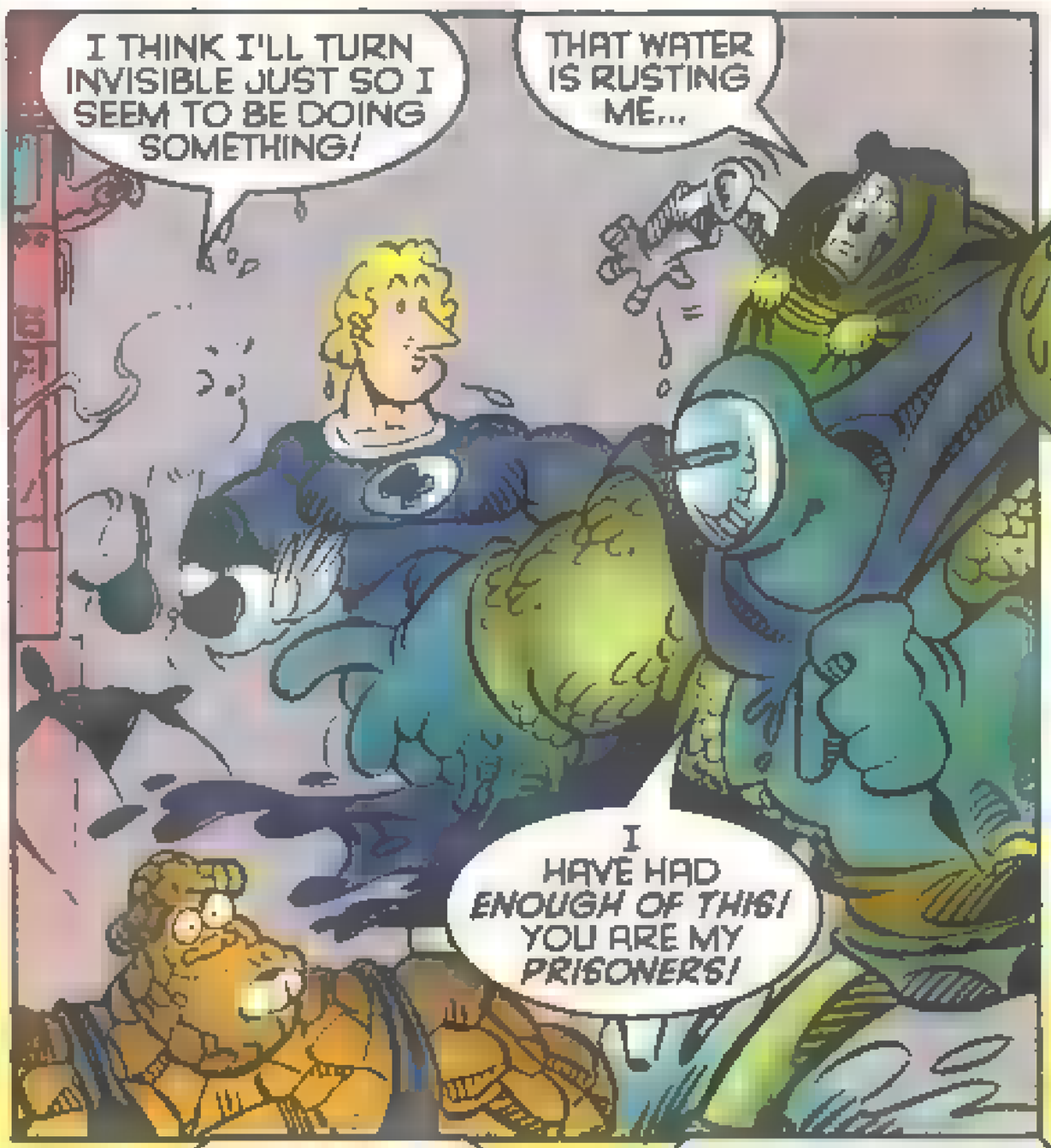
MAYBE I DON'T WANT TO JOIN YOU GUYS!

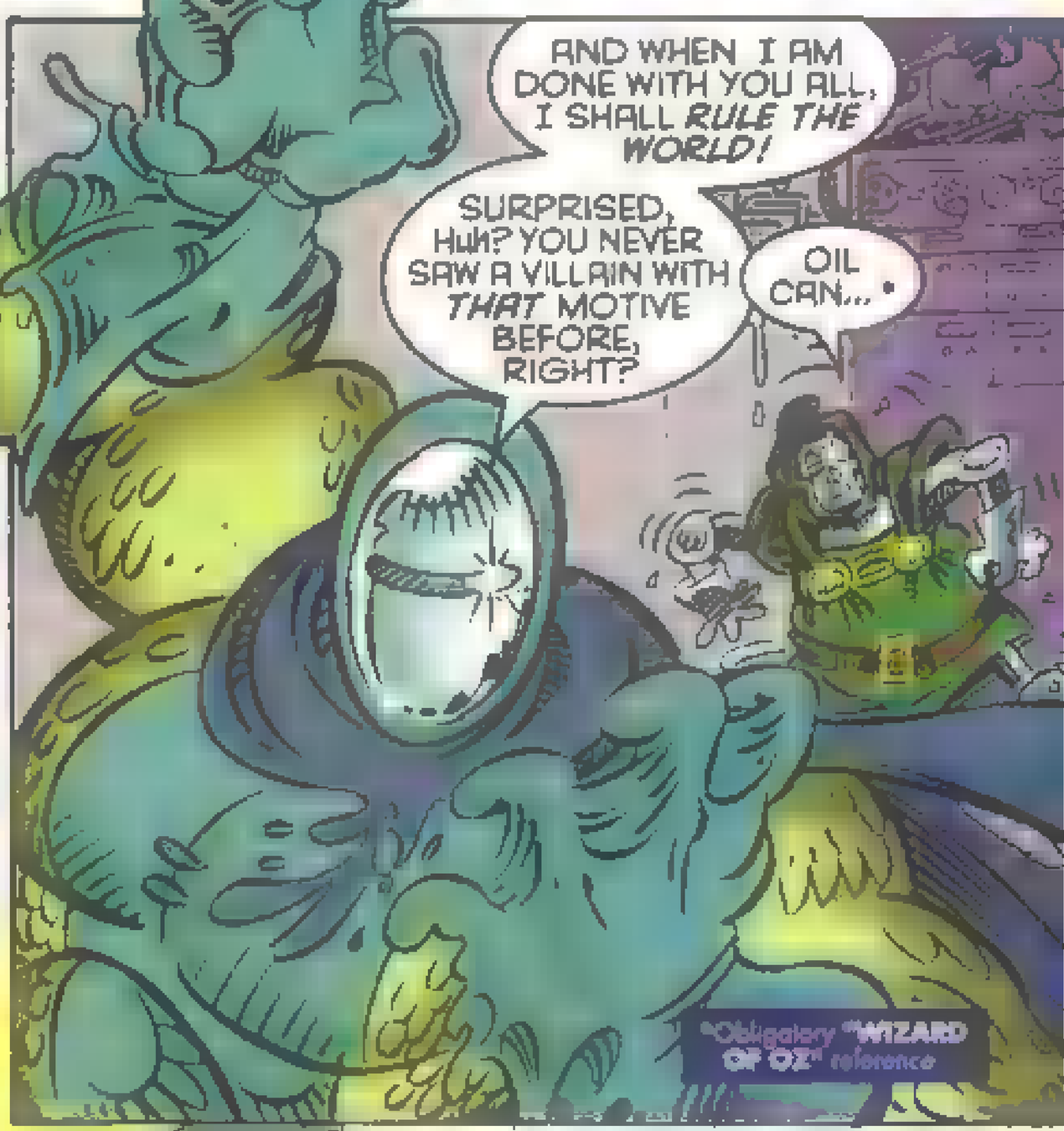
SUE! IS THAT YOUR NEW UNIFORM? THAT WON'T HELP MUCH IN A BATTLE!

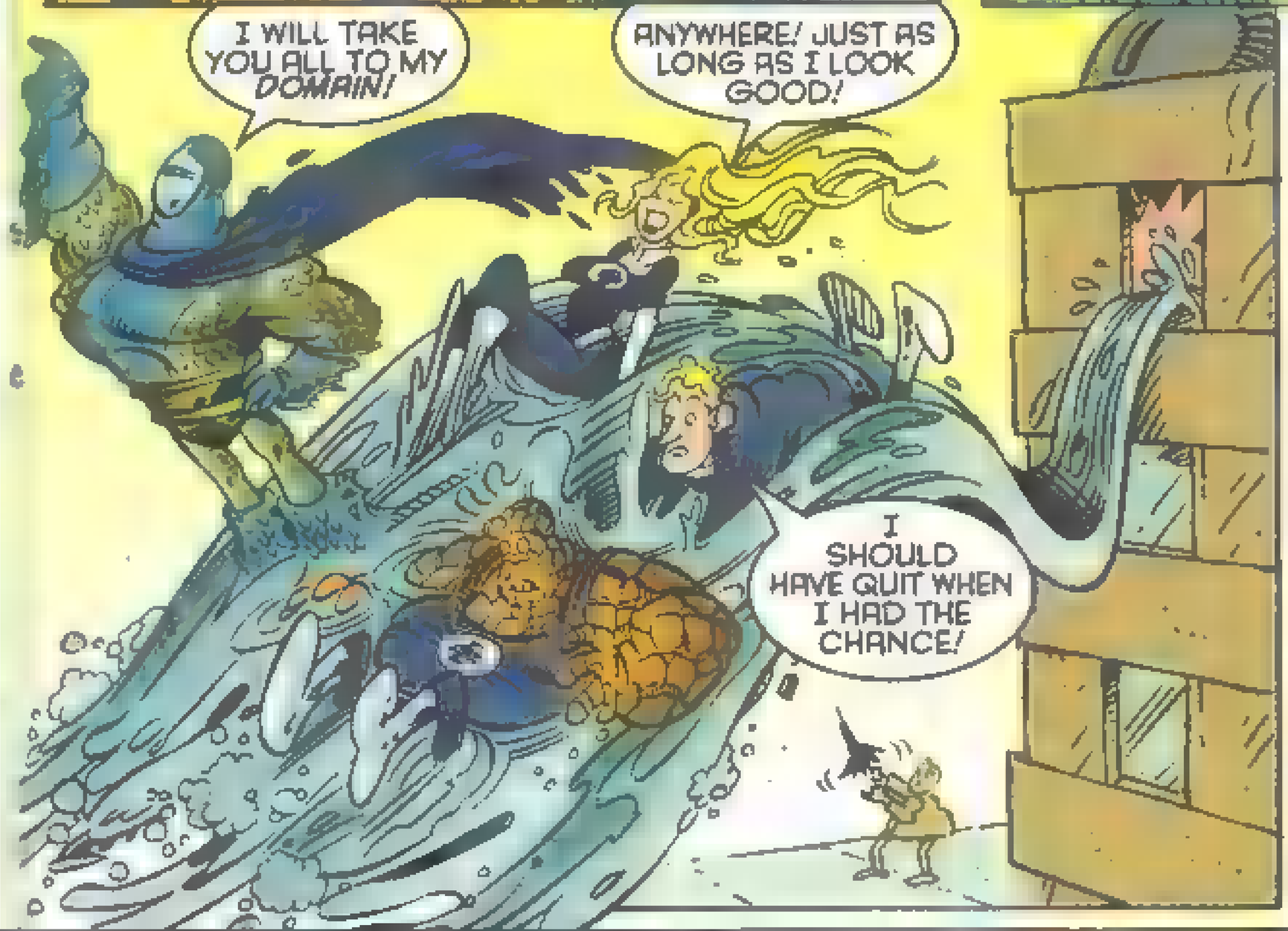
NO, BUT IT'LL DO A LOT FOR OUR SALES FIGURES!


I AM THE SEAGOING SOARER AND YOU'RE COMING WITH ME!
AND JUST WHAT'LL YOU DO IF WE DON'T...
I'LL TELL YOU WHAT I'LL DO IF YOU DON'T...

I'M QUITTING THE FANTASTIC FOUR!
BUT YOU AREN'T A MEMBER!


I THINK I'LL TURN INVISIBLE JUST SO I SEEM TO BE DOING SOMETHING!
THAT WATER IS RUSTING ME...
I HAVE HAD ENOUGH OF THIS! YOU ARE MY PRISONERS!


AND WHEN I AM DONE WITH YOU ALL, I SHALL RULE THE WORLD!
SURPRISED, HUH? YOU NEVER SAW A VILLAIN WITH THAT MOTIVE BEFORE, RIGHT?
OIL CAN...
*Obligatory "WIZARD OF OZ" reference


I WILL TAKE YOU ALL TO MY DOMAIN!
ANYWHERE! JUST AS LONG AS I LOOK GOOD!
I SHOULD HAVE QUIT WHEN I HAD THE CHANCE!

Ah, THIS FINE! LOOK JUST LIKE EVERY OTHER ISSUE, EXCEPT MORE REALISTIC!
NOW I DO SPIDER-MAN STORY! THEY ALL BE SO HAPPY I SAVE SCHEDULE!

STAN LEE PRESENTS THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN
WITH GREAT POWER, THERE ALSO COMES GREAT MERCHANDISING!
ALIENATED, OSTRACIZED, ALONE, HE PROWLS THE STREETS OF NEW YORK CITY EVERY NIGHT...
NO, IT'S NOT ED KOCH. IT IS SPIDER-MAN -- A TORTURED SOUL, TRAPPED IN A WORLD HE NEVER MADE...
WHICH REMINDS US: WHO IS EVER TRAPPED IN A WORLD HE MADE?
I FEEL SO SORRY FOR MYSELF TONIGHT...
NO JOB... NO RESPECT... NO FUTURE... AND I'M ONLY IN ABOUT NINETY-THREE COMIC BOOKS, A NEWSPAPER STRIP AND A TV SHOW...
SAY, I HAVEN'T RECAPPED MY ORIGIN FOR OVER A MONTH! THAT ALWAYS CHEERS ME UP!
TAXI

LIFE WAS HAPPY! UNCLE BEN HAD MADE SO MUCH MONEY WITH HIS CONVERTED RICE BUSINESS...
THEN ONE DAY, I WAS BITTEN BY A RADIOACTIVE SPIDER... WHICH, AS WE ALL KNOW, GIVES PEOPLE SUPER-POWERS...
I TRIED BEING A PROFESSIONAL WRESTLER BUT I COULDN'T STICK TO THE SCRIPT...
THEN CAME THE DAY I DIDN'T STOP THAT FLEEING CROOK...
LATER ON, UNCLE BEN WAS KILLED BY A CROOK AND IT TURNED OUT TO BE THE ONE I'D LET GO AND...
... OH, EVERYONE'S GOTTA BE SICK OF THIS STORY BY NOW...

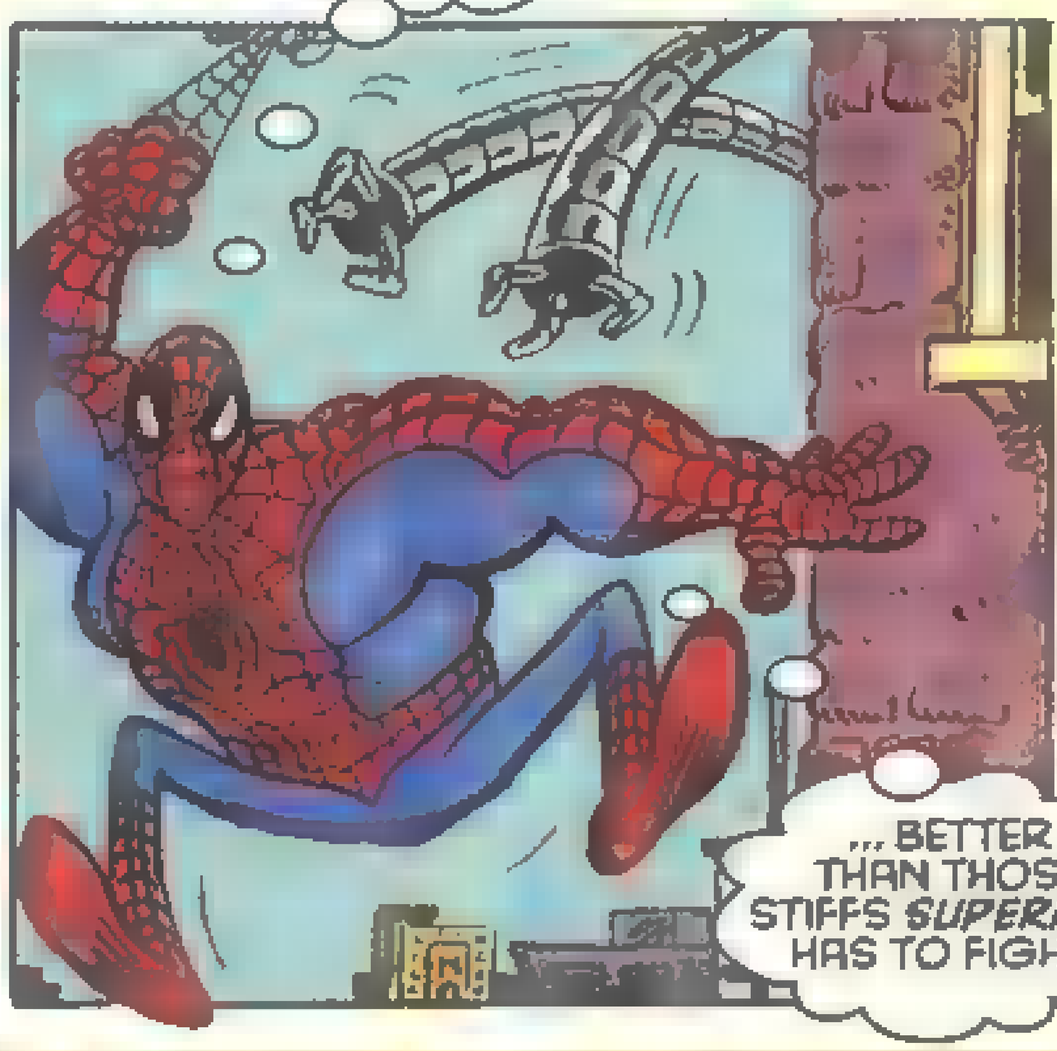
MY LIFE IS SO PATHETIC! I HAVE THE ONLY EDITOR ■ THE WORLD WHO ISN'T A NICE PERSON...
G*!!
MY MARRIAGE IS SHAKY... IF ONLY MARY JANE WEREN'T SO UNATTRACTIVE...
COME ON, TIGER! TRY THAT TRICK WHERE YOU SWING FROM THE CEILING!
NOT LONG AGO, AUNT MAY EVEN DIED AT THE AGE OF A HUNDRED AND THIRTY SEVEN...
DON'T WORRY, PETER! I'LL BE BACK IN SOME ANNIVERSARY ISSUE SOME DAY...
IF THE FANTASTIC FOUR WEREN'T USING THE PLOT, I'D QUIT BEING SPIDER-MAN, LIKE ■ DID A DOZEN TIMES...
THAT'S IT! I'M HISTORY! I'M OUTT■ HERE! I'M --
... I'M ... I'M GIVING AWAY MY CUT OF THE MONEY FROM ALL THOSE *TOYS* --!
AT THESE PRICES, I CAN ENDURE A LITTLE *ANGST!*
IT'S *MINE.*
ANYTHING ■ THE DUMPSTER IS *MY PROPERTY*, CLOWN!

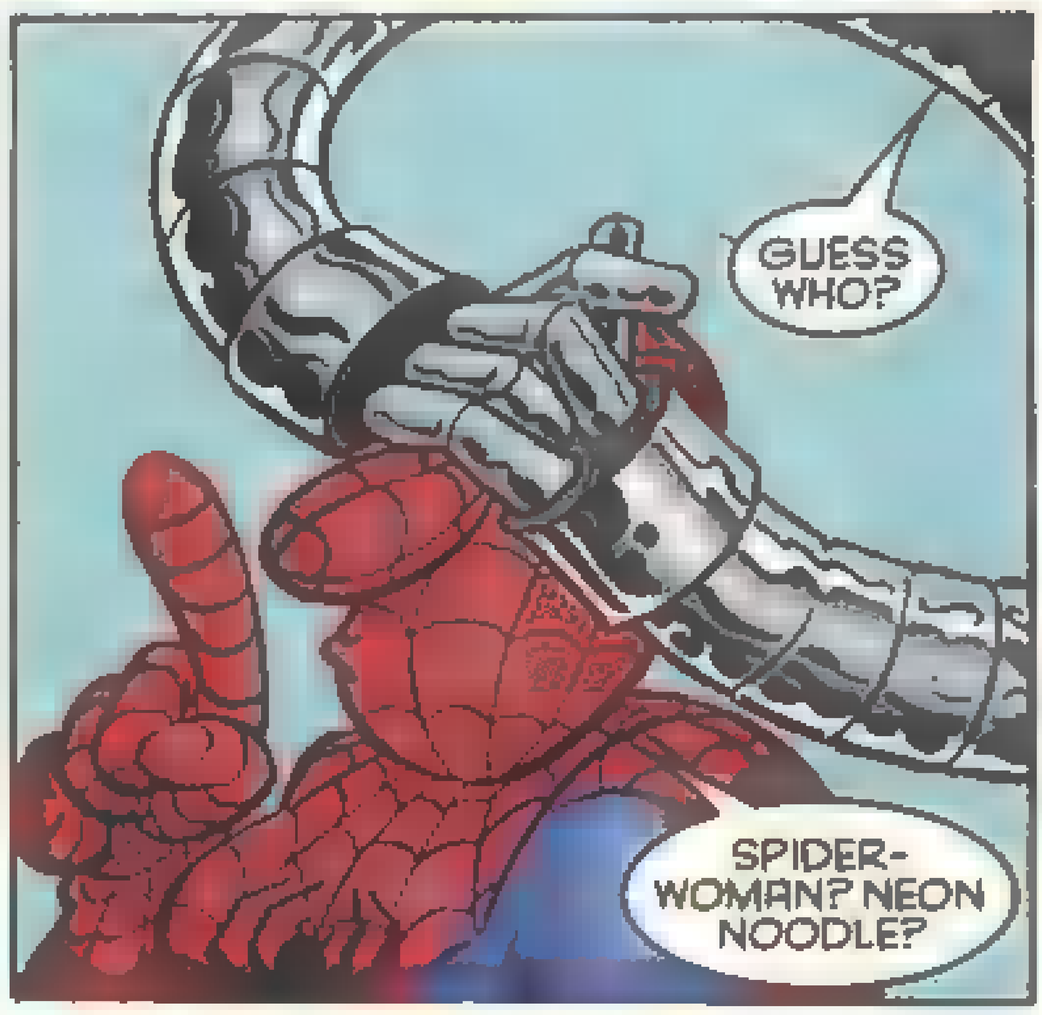
OW! I THINK I FORGET ABOUT MAKING YOU A TROPHY, SPIDER-MAN! I GOT TO FIND *TROPHY WIFE* INSTEAD!

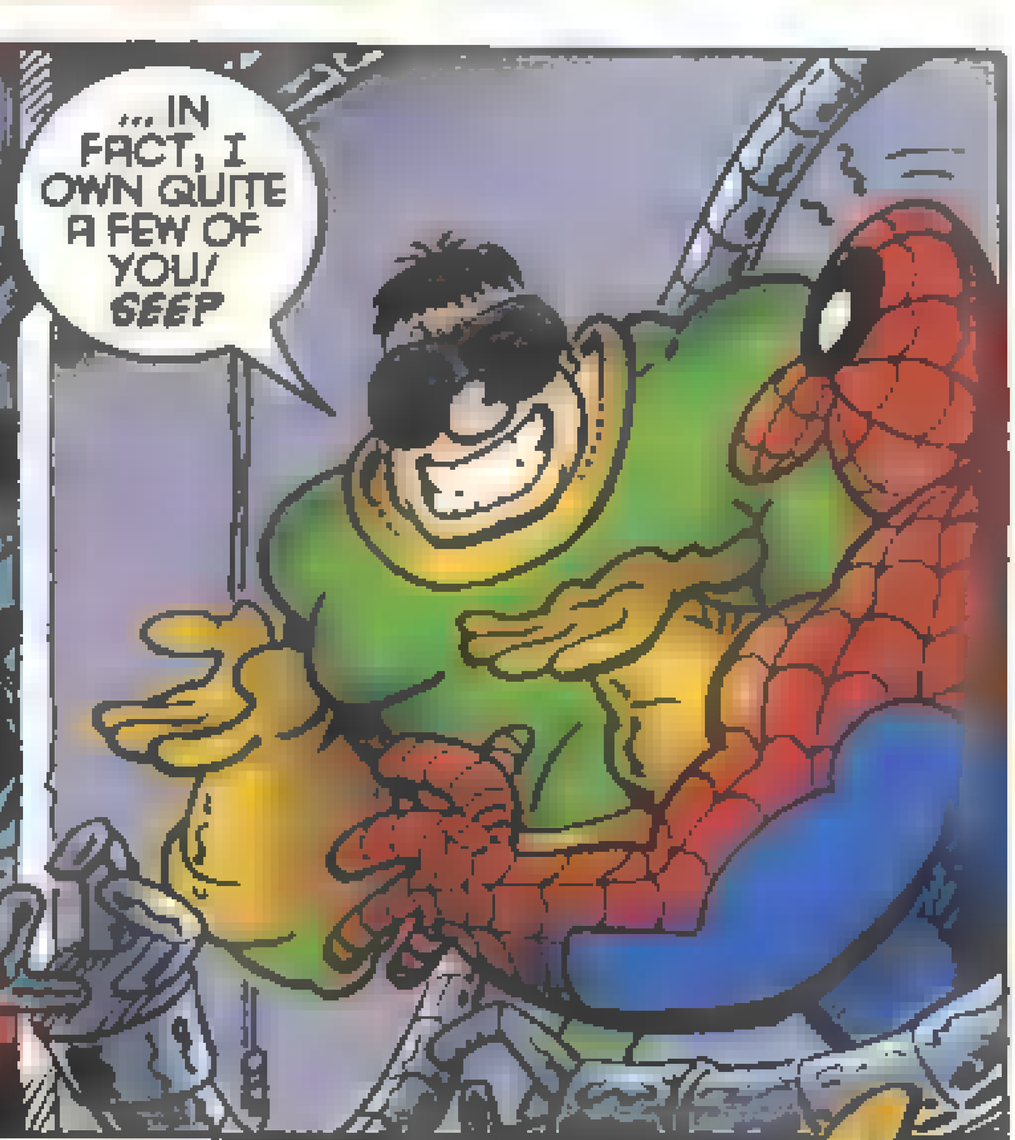
GO FOR IT, DUDE!

TAKE *THAT*, GOBLIN! AND DON'T LET ME CATCH YOU GETTING YOUR OWN COMIC AGAIN!

MAYBE LIFE ISN'T SO BAD! I HAVE A PRETTY GOOD CROP OF *VILLAINS*...







I AM SPIDER-MAN!

NO, *I* AM SPIDER-MAN!

I'M THE *TV* SPIDER-MAN!

WELL, I'M THE *NEWSPAPER* SPIDER-MAN!

I'M THE *CLONE* SPIDER-MAN!

THERE ARE *MANY* OF YOU... AND I'VE COLLECTED THE SET!

WOW! NO WONDER I ALWAYS HAVE AN IDENTITY CRISIS!

SUDDENLY, A TIDAL WAVE CRASHES INTO THE ROOM...

I AM THE SEAGOING SOARER! I AM HERE FOR SPIDER-MAN!

WHICH ONE?

TAKE YOUR PICK!

I WILL TAKE *YOU* -- NEATLY WRAPPED IN BONDS OF H_2O!

BOY, THEY HAVE *HARD WATER* IN THIS TOWN!

YOU CREATED MORE CLONES THAN WE AGREED, DOCTOR OCTOPUS!

I NEEDED MONEY! YOU KNOW WHAT I SPEND EACH MONTH ON WRIST-WATCHES?

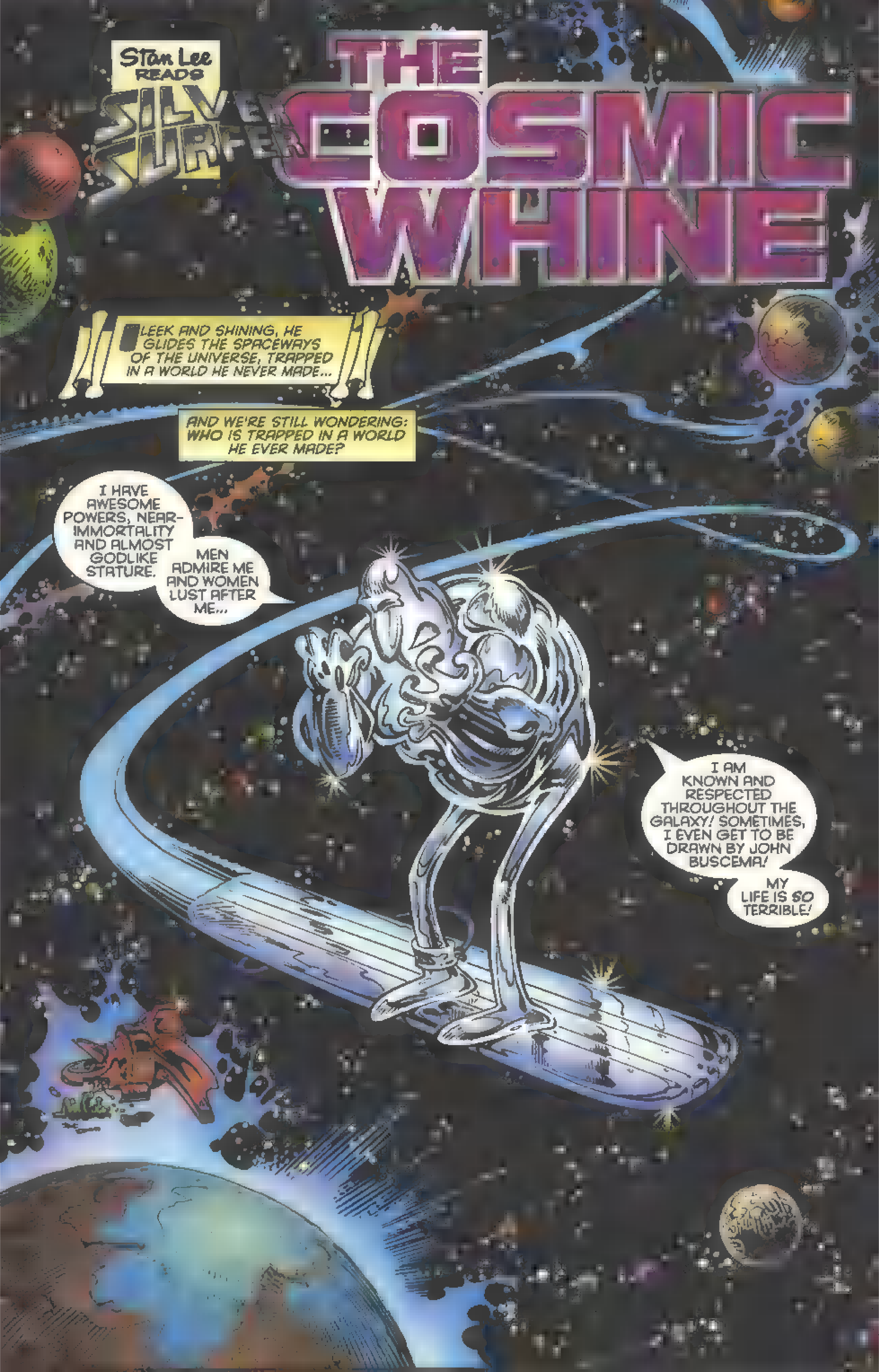
I SHALL TAKE HIM TO MY DOMAIN TO SLAY HIM!

GOOD LUCK, SOARER!

I'LL GET EVEN WITH YOU, OCTOPUS! I'M TELLING JIM CAMERON TO LEAVE YOU OUT OF THE MOVIE!

SPIDER- HOMBRE STORY EVEN BETTER! MARK BE SO PLEASED WHEN WAKES UP!

I DO SILVER SURFER NEXT --!


Stan Lee READS SILVER SURFER
THE COSMIC WHINE
SLEEK AND SHINING, HE GLIDES THE SPACEWAYS OF THE UNIVERSE, TRAPPED IN A WORLD HE NEVER MADE...
AND WE'RE STILL WONDERING: WHO IS TRAPPED IN A WORLD HE EVER MADE?
I HAVE AWESOME POWERS, NEAR-IMMORTALITY AND ALMOST GODLIKE STATURE.
MEN ADMIRE ME AND WOMEN LUST AFTER ME...
I AM KNOWN AND RESPECTED THROUGHOUT THE GALAXY! SOMETIMES, I EVEN GET TO BE DRAWN BY JOHN BUSCEMA!
MY LIFE IS SO TERRIBLE!

DOCTOR STRANGE! YOU CAN HELP ME!
YOU SEEK MY MASTERY OF THE MYSTIC ARTS?
NO, I NEED THE NAME OF A GOOD SHRINK!
BY THE HOARY HOSTS OF DOUBLETALK! I AM SICK OF YOUR PATHETIC SELF-PITY!
I DESERVE THIS!
YOU ARE RIGHT. EVEN I GET SICK OF LISTENING TO ME FEEL SORRY FOR MYSELF!
PERHAPS, I CAN DEPRESS MYSELF FURTHER BY RECALLING MY ONE TRUE LOVE, SHALLA BAL! I STILL LOVE HER...
... EVEN IF SHE DID DUMP ME SEVENTEEN TIMES IN THE LAST TWENTY-FIVE ISSUES!
IN FACT, I FEEL SORRY FOR MYSELF FOR FEELING SO SORRY FOR MYSELF!
WHERE IS GALACTUS? WHY DOES HE NOT COME AND THREATEN MY EXISTENCE?
HE'LL BE ALONG! HE HAS IT IN HIS CONTRACT --
THE FIRST TIME HE APPEARS IN A STORY, HE HAS TO GET A FULL-PAGE PANEL!
HE MUST HAVE MIKE OVITZ AS HIS AGENT!

HERE I AM, MY FORMER HERALD!
GALACTUS!
WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN?
DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA OF THE DEMANDS ON ME?
WHENEVER A COMIC IS DESPERATE FOR A PLOT, I HAVE TO SHOW UP AND THREATEN TO CONSUME A PLANET!
I DON'T MIND THE SUPERHERO BOOKS... BUT, LAST MONTH, IN AN ISSUE OF *BARBIE?!* THEY HAD ME THREATENING TO DEVOUR HER *DREAM HOUSE!*

WELL, NOW THAT YOU ARE HERE, I SUPPOSE YOU WILL WANT TO CONSUME ALL OF EARTH!

NO, THANKS! I'VE GIVEN UP *JUNK FOOD!*

IN CASE YOU HAVEN'T NOTICED, I'VE GOTTEN A LITTLE LARGE...

I AM OFF TO FIND A *LOW-CHOLESTEROL* PLANET, SURFER... PERHAPS SOME *SNACKWELL MOONS!* THEY'RE VERY LOW IN FAT!

NO, *WAIT!* DO NOT LEAVE ME!

Oh, I AM LOST WITHOUT HIM! I HAVE NO LOVE! I HAVE NO JOB! I HAVE NO WORLD TO CALL MY OWN...

... AND THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME, THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME*...

*Obligatory "WIZARD OF OZ" reference.

WHO ARE YOU?

YOU'D BETTER NOT BE ANOTHER JEHOVAH'S WITNESS! YOU PEOPLE ARE *EVERYWHERE!*

I AM THE *SEAGOING SOARER* AND YOU ARE COMING WITH ME! DO NOT RESIST!

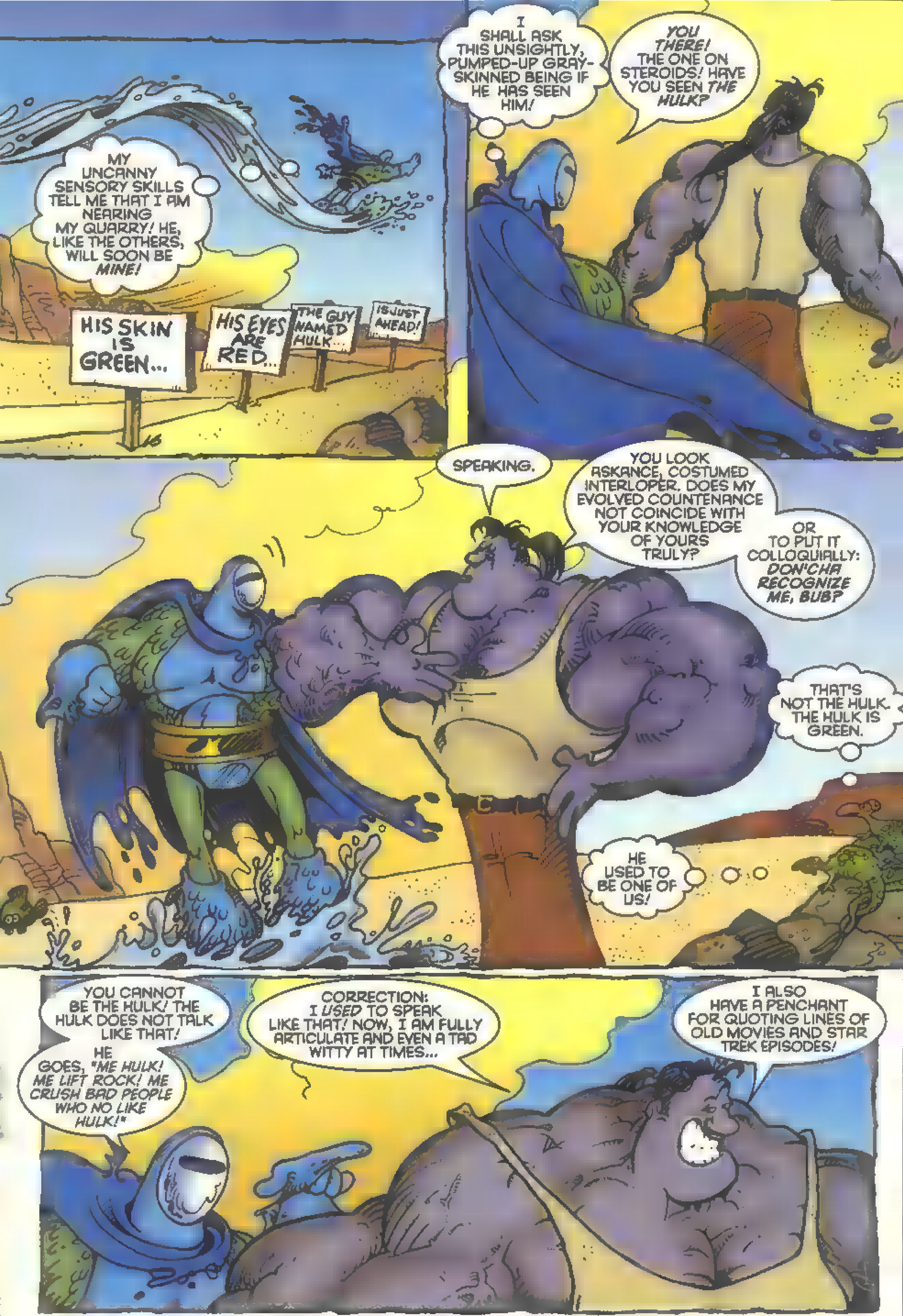
WHY WOULD I RESIST? IT WILL GIVE ME A CHANCE TO BROOD ABOUT NOT BEING ABLE TO SURF THE STARS!

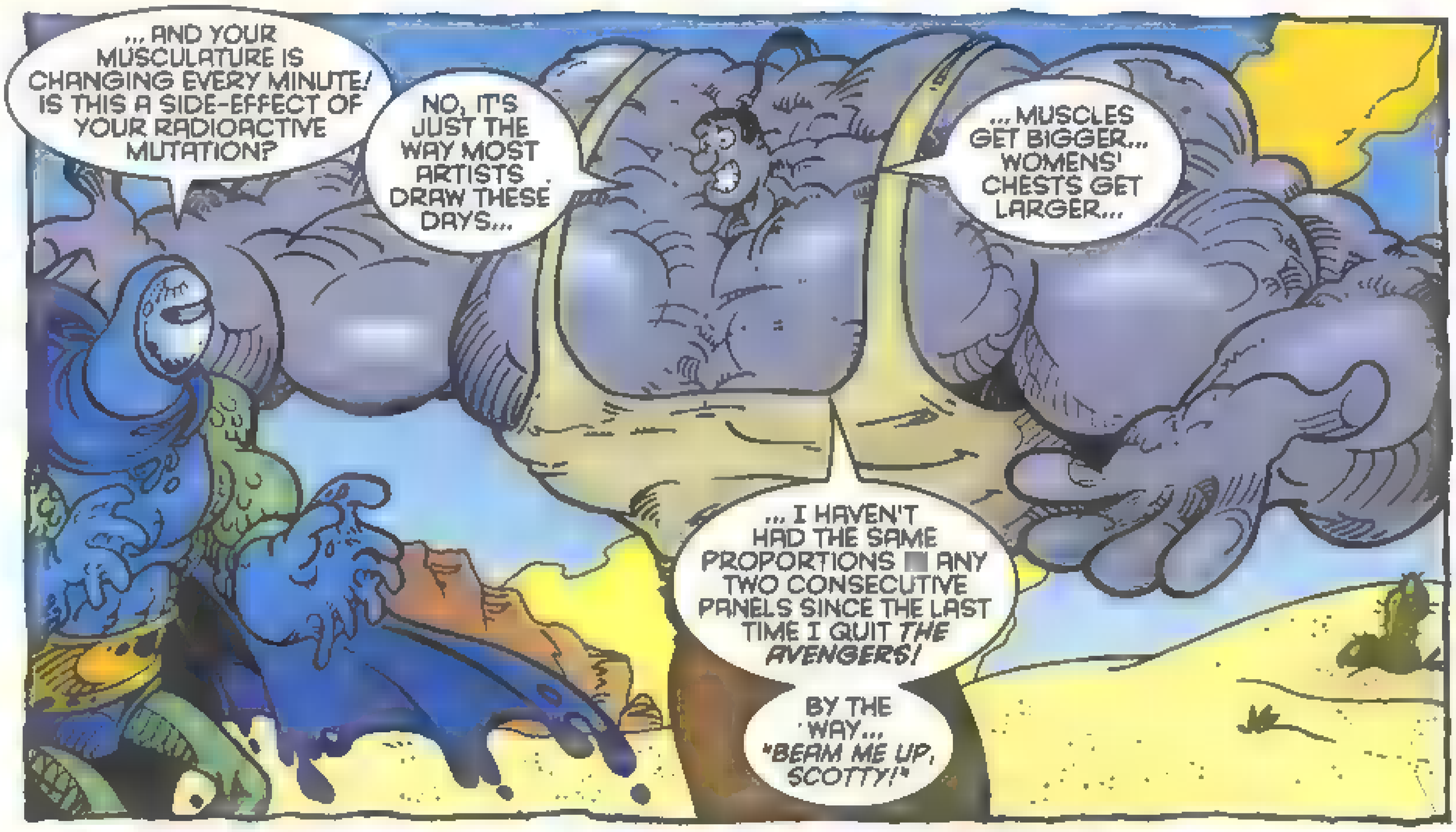
I MAY REGRET TAKING *THIS ONE* TO MY DOMAIN...

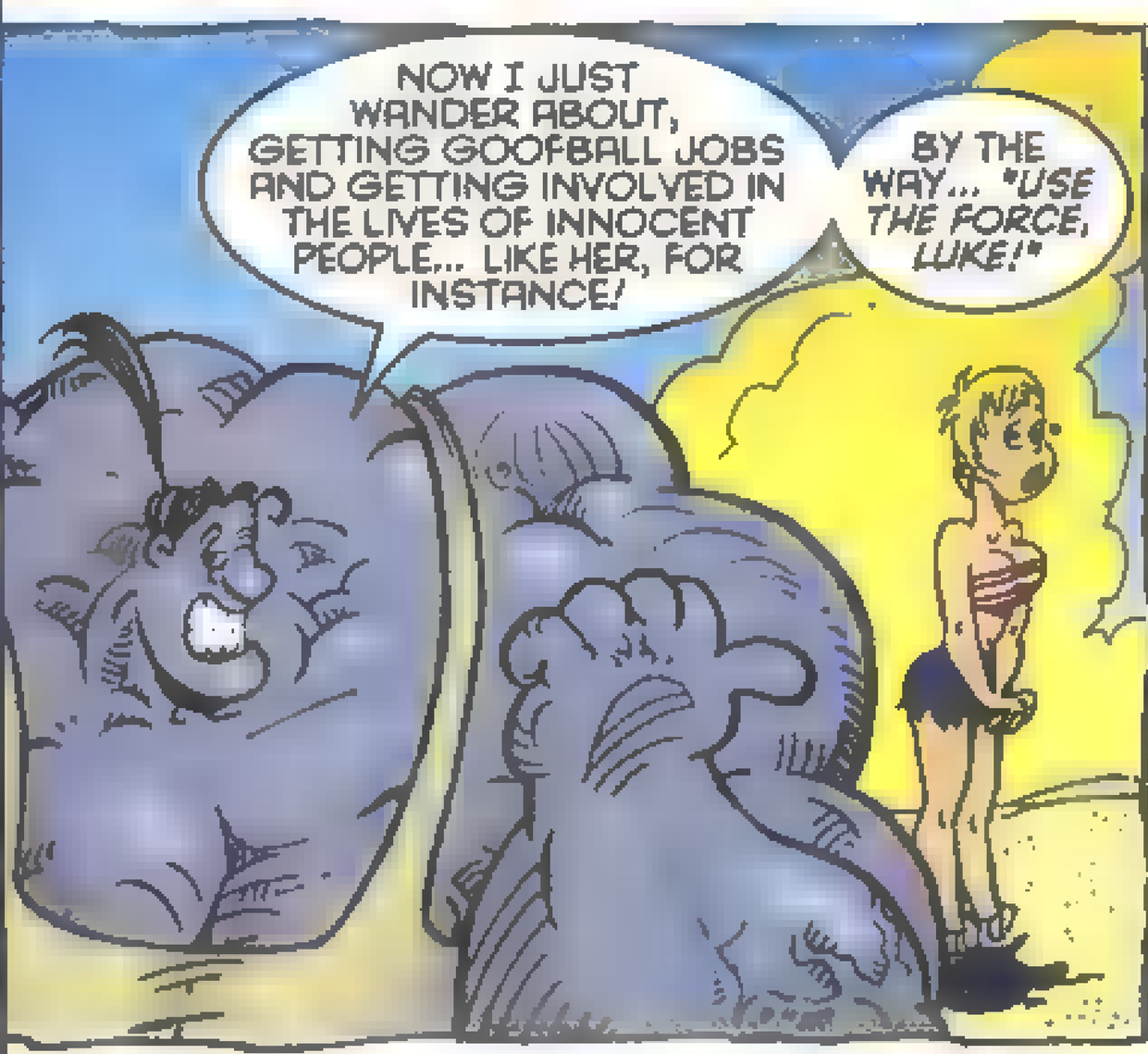
HE CONSTANTLY MOANS, HE LIVES IN CONSTANT ANGUISH, HE WHINES LIKE A MEMBER OF THE CAST OF *FRIENDS*...

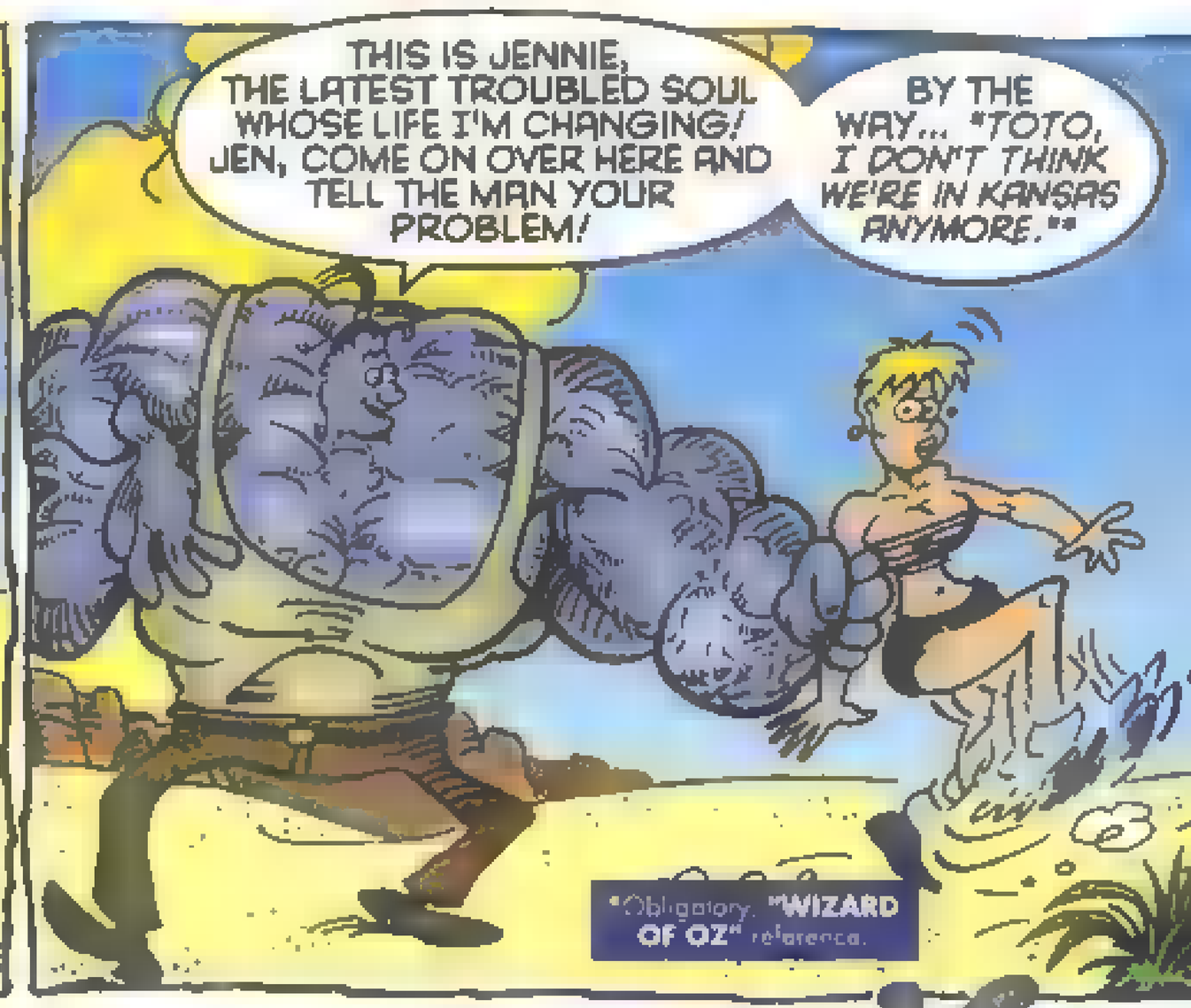
ON THE OTHER HAND, I *DO* FEEL LIKE I'M TAKING HOME AN OSCAR...

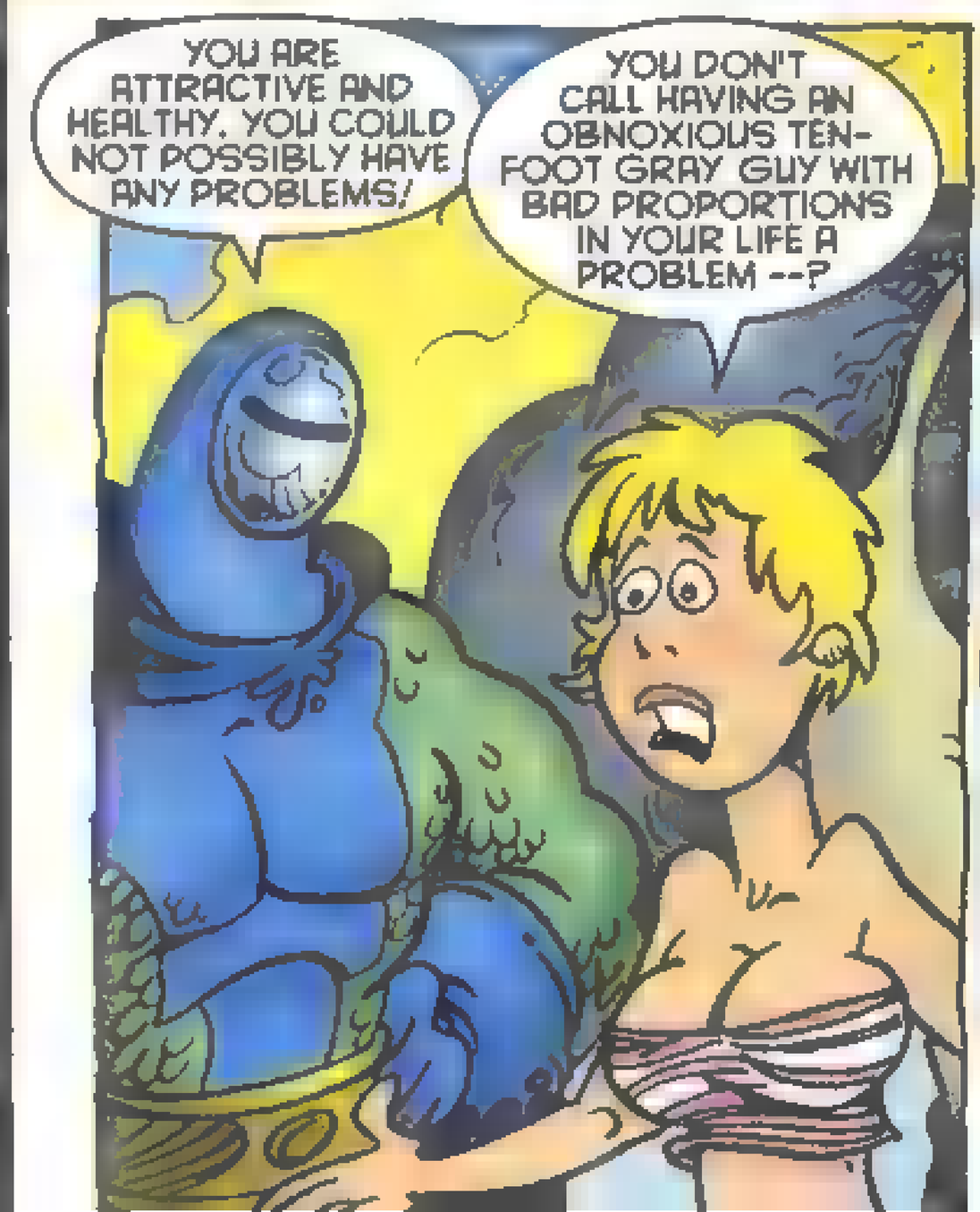
Stan Lee used to write
The Incredible Hulk
THIS MAN, THESE MUSCLES!
ACROSS THE BARREN DESERT SPEEDS THE SEAGOING SOARER, IN SEARCH OF THE MAN NAMED BRUCE BANNER...
... FOR HE IS THE HULK, TRAPPED IN A WORLD HE NEVER... OH, YOU KNOW HOW THIS GOES BY NOW.
BANNER IS A TORTURED SOUL, AS TORMENTED AS A COW WHO HAS JUST BEEN DIAGNOSED AS LACTOSE-INTOLERANT...
THE HULK HAS BEEN SIGHTED IN THIS AREA! I MUST NEUTRALIZE HIS AWESOME POWER BEFORE MY PLAN CAN SUCCEED!
I RECALL HIS FRIGHTENING, GREEN-SKINNED VISAGE! IT WILL NOT BE DIFFICULT TO FIND HIM!
GREAT! I CAN'T GET A DROP OF WATER TO DRINK AND HE'S USING GALLONS OF IT AS A MOVABLE WALKWAY!

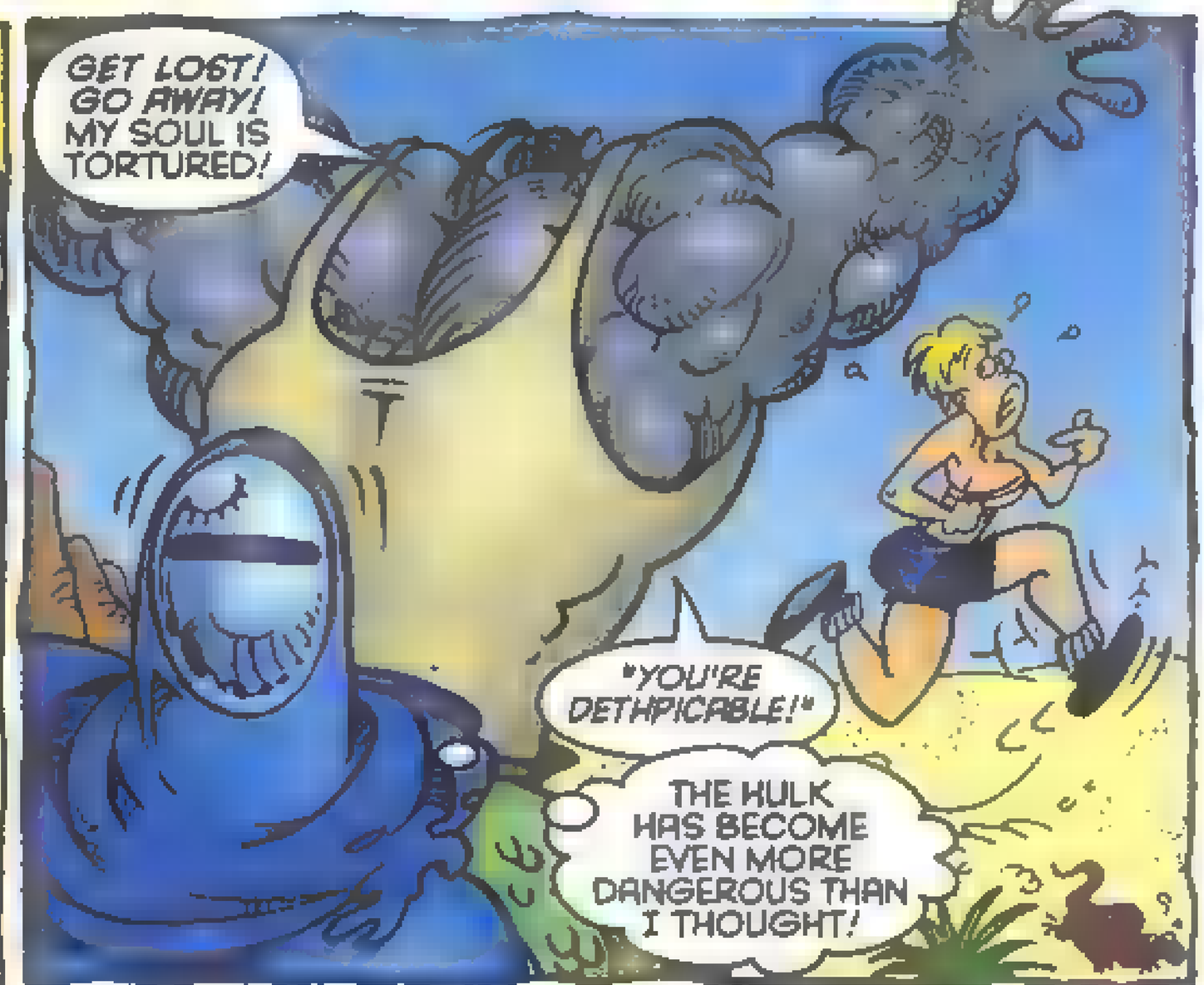

MY UNCANNY SENSORY SKILLS TELL ME THAT I AM NEARING MY QUARRY! HE, LIKE THE OTHERS, WILL SOON BE MINE!
HIS SKIN IS GREEN...
HIS EYES ARE RED...
THE GUY NAMED HULK...
IS JUST AHEAD!
I SHALL ASK THIS UNSIGHTLY, PUMPED-UP GRAY-SKINNED BEING IF HE HAS SEEN HIM!
YOU THERE! THE ONE ON STEROIDS! HAVE YOU SEEN THE HULK?
SPEAKING.
YOU LOOK ASKANCE, COSTUMED INTERLOPER. DOES MY EVOLVED COUNTENANCE NOT COINCIDE WITH YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF YOURS TRULY?
OR TO PUT IT COLLOQUIALLY: DON'CHA RECOGNIZE ME, BUB?
THAT'S NOT THE HULK. THE HULK IS GREEN.
HE USED TO BE ONE OF US!
YOU CANNOT BE THE HULK! THE HULK DOES NOT TALK LIKE THAT!
HE GOES, "ME HULK! ME LIFT ROCK! ME CRUSH BAD PEOPLE WHO NO LIKE HULK!"
CORRECTION: I USED TO SPEAK LIKE THAT! NOW, I AM FULLY ARTICULATE AND EVEN A TAD WITTY AT TIMES...
I ALSO HAVE A PENCHANT FOR QUOTING LINES OF OLD MOVIES AND STAR TREK EPISODES!


... AND YOUR MUSCULATURE IS CHANGING EVERY MINUTE! IS THIS A SIDE-EFFECT OF YOUR RADIOACTIVE MUTATION?
NO, IT'S JUST THE WAY MOST ARTISTS DRAW THESE DAYS...
... MUSCLES GET BIGGER... WOMENS' CHESTS GET LARGER...
... I HAVEN'T HAD THE SAME PROPORTIONS ■ ANY TWO CONSECUTIVE PANELS SINCE THE LAST TIME I QUIT *THE AVENGERS!*
BY THE WAY... *"BEAM ME UP, SCOTTY!"*


NOW I JUST WANDER ABOUT, GETTING GOOFBALL JOBS AND GETTING INVOLVED IN THE LIVES OF INNOCENT PEOPLE... LIKE HER, FOR INSTANCE!
BY THE WAY... *"USE THE FORCE, LUKE!"*

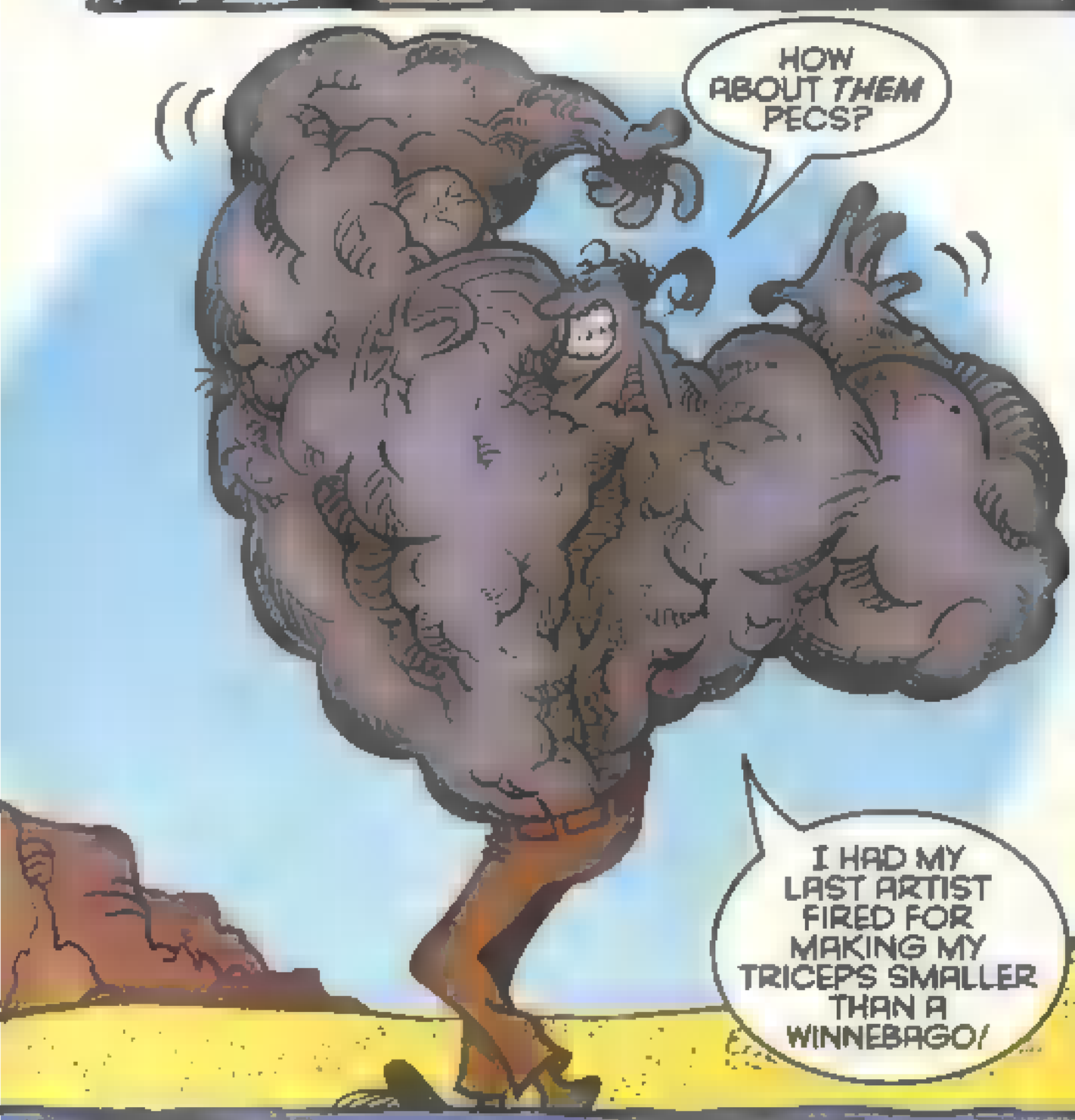

THIS IS JENNIE, THE LATEST TROUBLED SOUL WHOSE LIFE I'M CHANGING! JEN, COME ON OVER HERE AND TELL THE MAN YOUR PROBLEM!
BY THE WAY... *"TOTO, I DON'T THINK WE'RE IN KANSAS ANYMORE."**
*Obligatory "WIZARD OF OZ" reference.


YOU ARE ATTRACTIVE AND HEALTHY. YOU COULD NOT POSSIBLY HAVE ANY PROBLEMS!
YOU DON'T CALL HAVING AN OBNOXIOUS TEN-FOOT GRAY GUY WITH BAD PROPORTIONS IN YOUR LIFE A PROBLEM --?

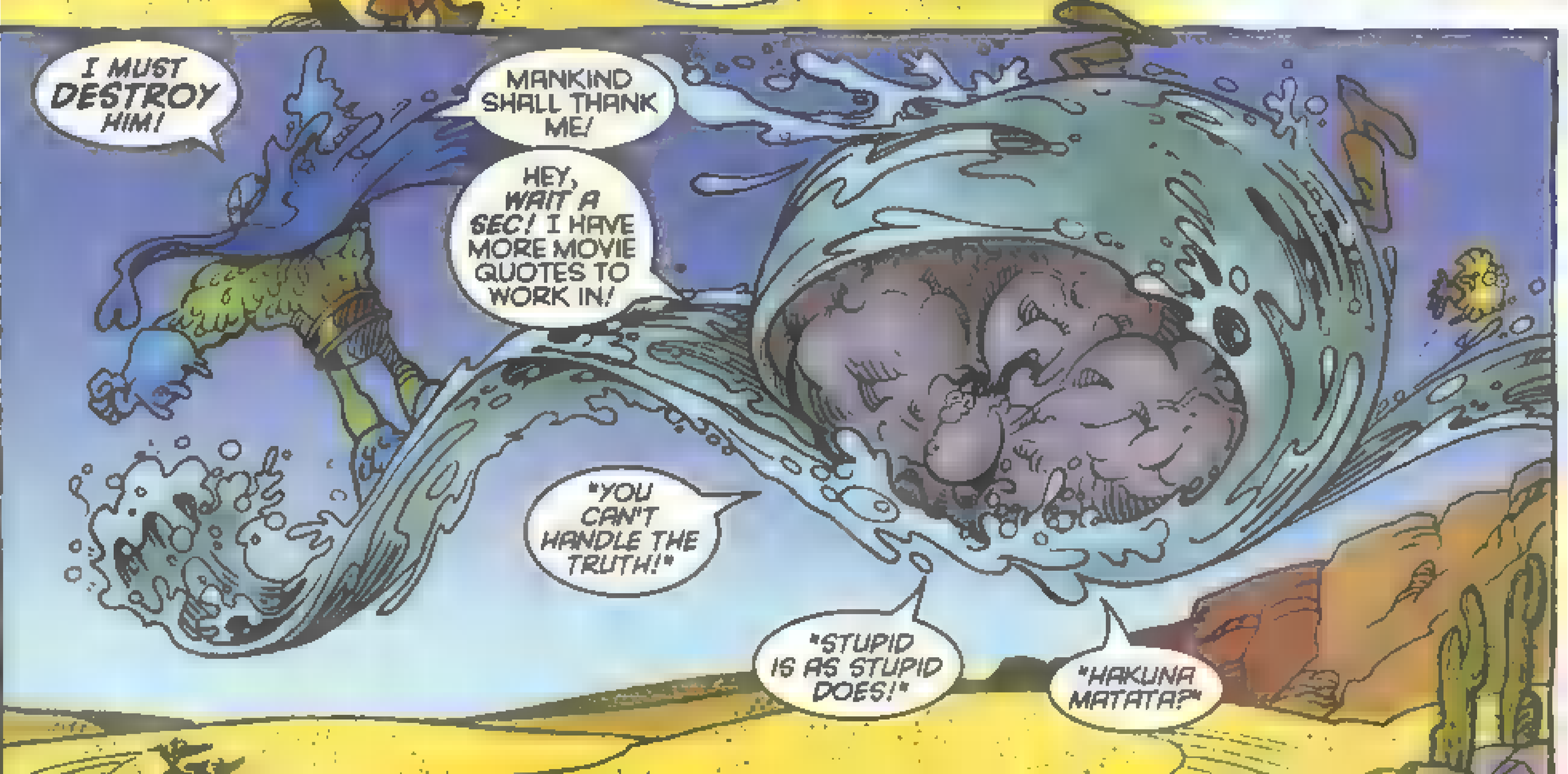

GET LOST! GO AWAY! MY SOUL IS TORTURED!
"YOU'RE DETHPICABLE!"
THE HULK HAS BECOME EVEN MORE DANGEROUS THAN I THOUGHT!

YOU ARE COMING WITH ME!
NO WAY, JOSÉ! I'M GOING WITH YOU... NOT!
JUST WHAT DO YOU INTEND TO DO?
I'M GOING TO DO WHAT I ALWAYS DO IN MY COMIC...

... I'M GOING TO STAND AROUND IN GROTESQUE MUSCLE POSES!


HOW ABOUT THEM PECS?
I HAD MY LAST ARTIST FIRED FOR MAKING MY TRICEPS SMALLER THAN A WINNEBAGO!

YOU THINK I LOOK GOOD NOW, WAIT A WEEK!
I JUST BOUGHT A NEW VIDEOTAPE CALLED "GRAY BUNS OF STEEL!"
HE HAS BECOME MORE ANNOYING THAN THE ENTIRE CAST OF "FRIENDS!"


I MUST DESTROY HIM!
MANKIND SHALL THANK ME!
HEY, WAIT A SEC! I HAVE MORE MOVIE QUOTES TO WORK IN!
"YOU CAN'T HANDLE THE TRUTH!"
"STUPID IS AS STUPID DOES!"
"HAKUNA MATATA?"

Stan Lee once went on a talk show dressed as Captain America
The Sleeper Wants to Sleep Late!
He was forged in the battles of World War II which, in current Marvel continuity, started in 1973...
Now, he is trapped in a world he never made and an ice cube he did...
We found him like this, just this morning!
By the beard of Zeus! What hath he done?
He's... he's frozen himself!
But why the big ice cube?

THAT WAS HOW WE FOUND HIM BACK IN AVENGERS #4...
BY THE NOSE HAIRS OF ODIN! THIS BE THE ONE THEY CALL... CAPTAIN AMERICA!
HE'S BEEN FROZEN IN THIS ICEBERG SINCE 1946.
AW, COME ON! EVEN COMIC BOOK READERS WON'T BUY THAT SILLY BIT OF "SCIENCE..."
SOON HE JOINED THE THIRD OF 8,742 DIFFERENT AVENGER LINE-UPS!
AVENGERS ASSEMBLE!
... AS SOON AS WE FIGURE OUT WHO'S IN THE GROUP THIS WEEK!
HOW DO WE GET HIM OUT OF THAT HUGE BLOCK OF ICE?
JUST SAW AN INFORMERCIAL FOR THOSE "MIRACLE THAW" PLATTERS! IT DOES A FROZEN PORK CHOP IN TWENTY MINUTES!
BY THE FEET OF ZEUS! LET US DO THIS THE EASY WAY!
DEFROST

WELCOME BACK TO THE LIVING, CRP!

I-I'M OUT OF THE ICE! WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?

WE SAVED YOUR LIFE! AREN'T YOU GRATEFUL?

"GRATEFUL" TO BE IN *THIS* WORLD? A WORLD OF SLEAZY POLITICIANS?

... AND I PROMISE YOU WHATEVER GARBAGE I HAVE TO SAY TO YOU TO GET ELECTED!

JOHN J. CONGRESSMAN

... A WORLD OF UNSCRUPULOUS TV EVANGELISTS?

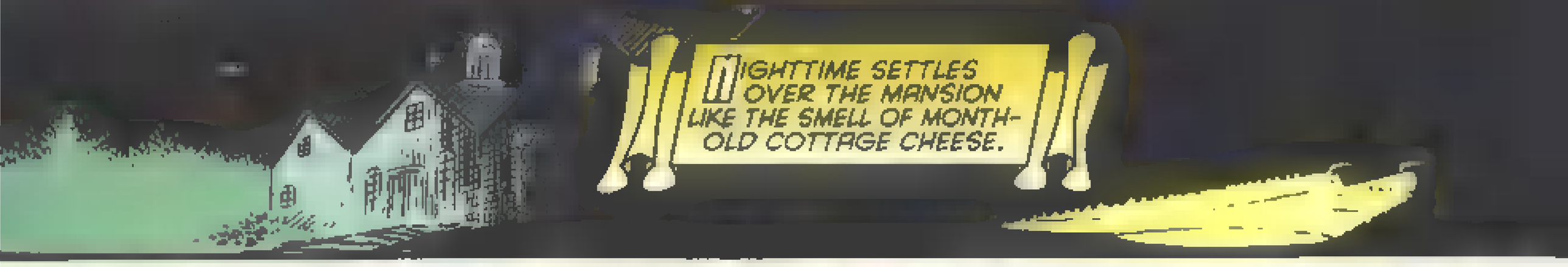
THAT'S RIGHT! GOD PERSONALLY TOLD ME HE WANTS YOU TO BUY ME A *LEXUS!*

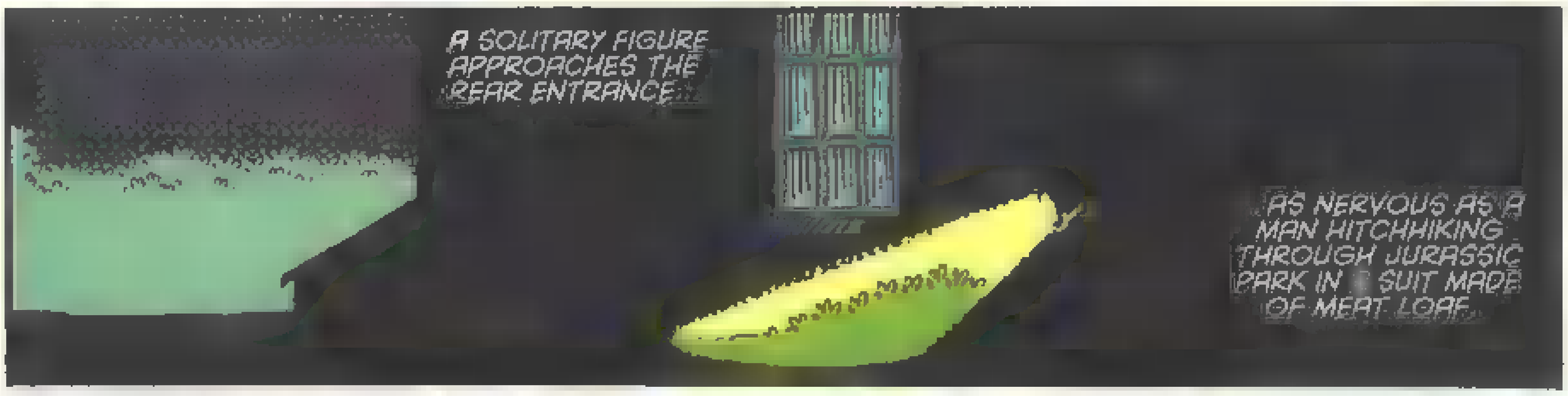
... A WORLD WHERE THE RICH GET RICHER WHILE THE POOR STARVE --?

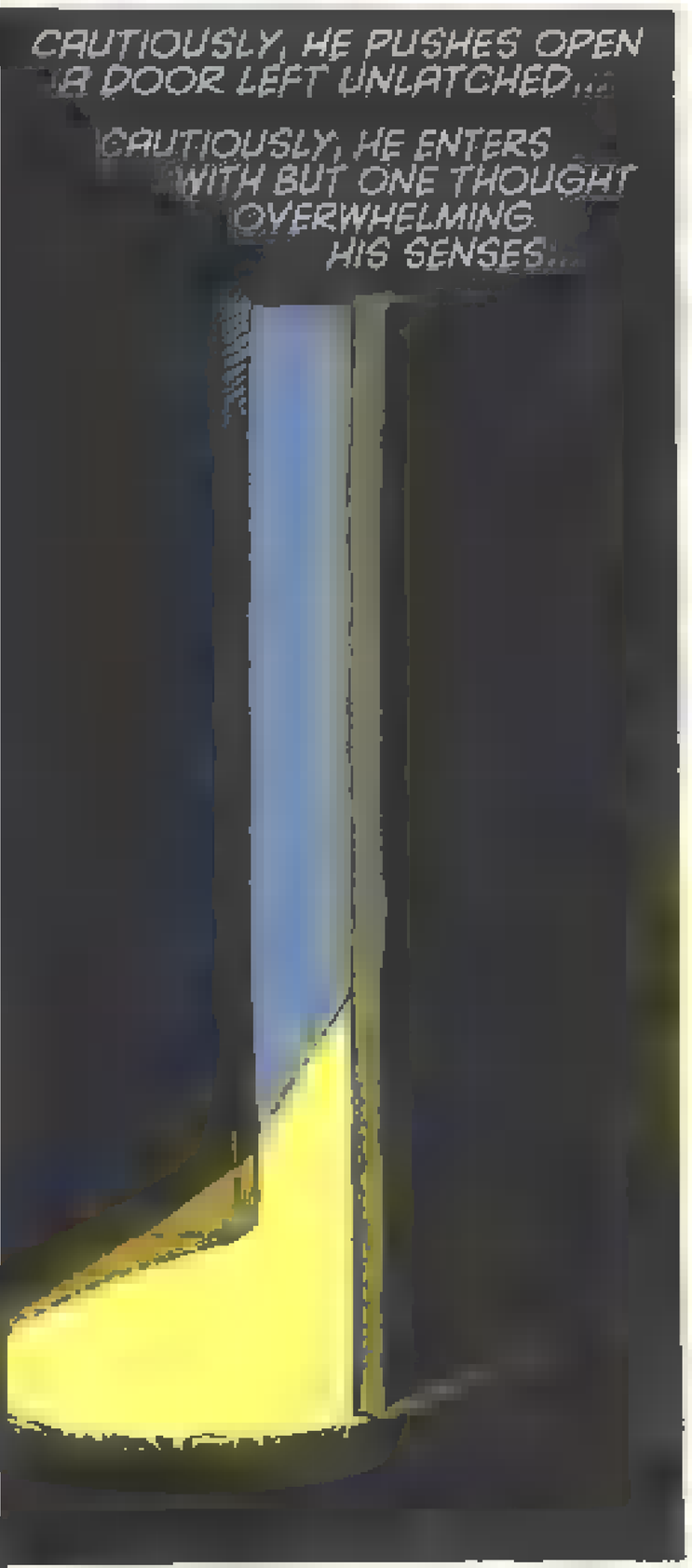
RUSH SAYS HUNGER IS ANECDOTAL! PASS THE SQUAB!

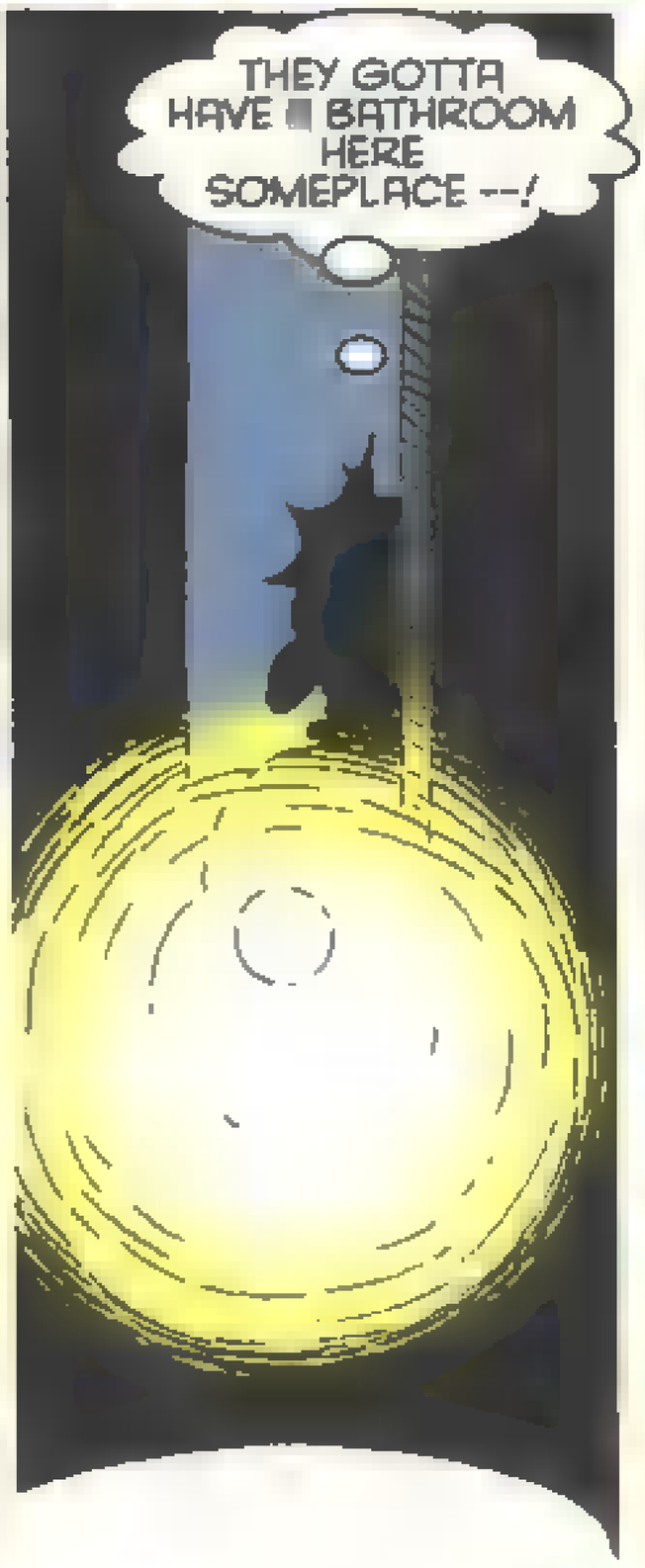
I'M SURE AROUND HIM, IT IS!

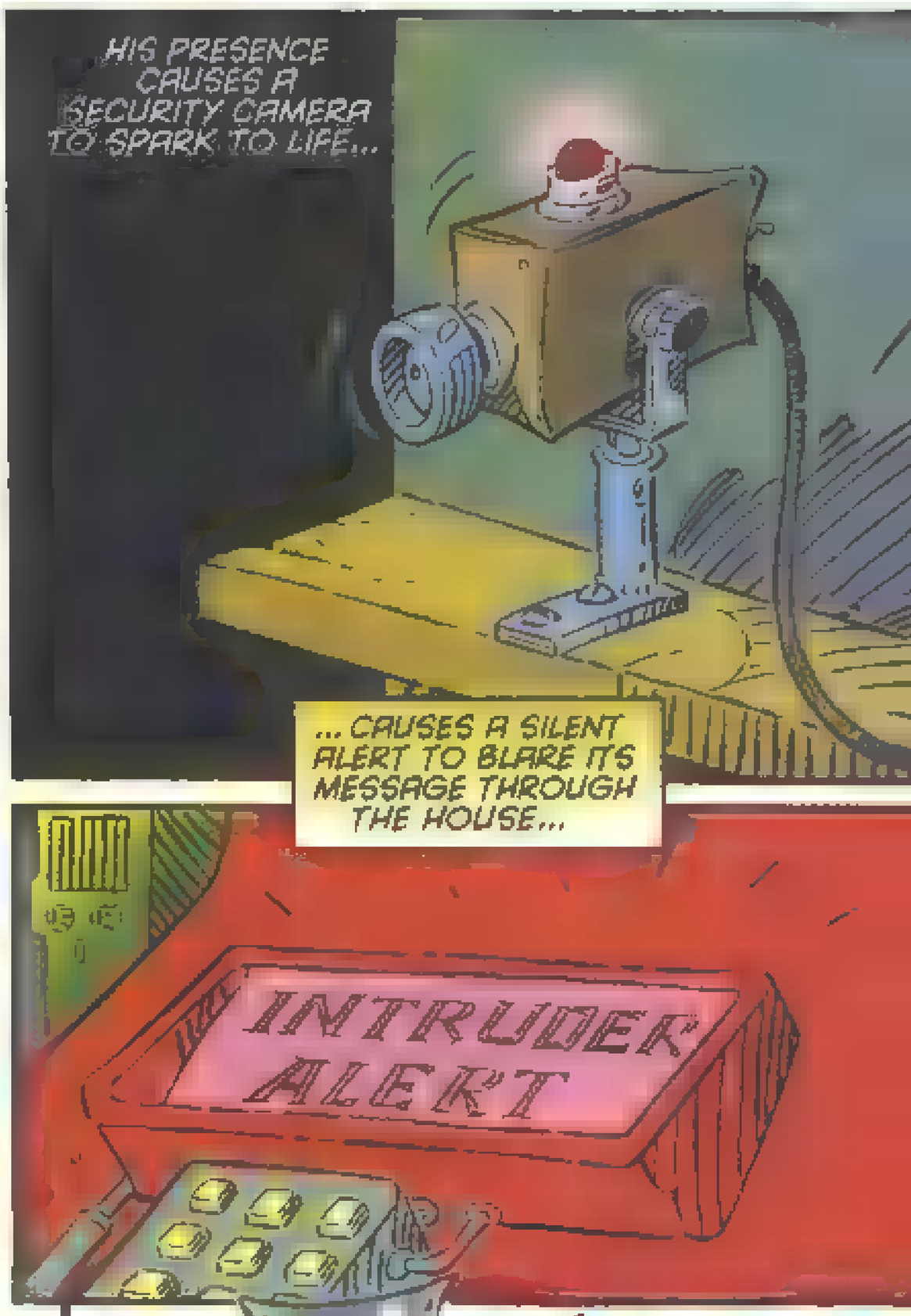
I'VE SPENT DECADES WHINING ABOUT HOW I FELT LIKE I DID NOT BELONG IN THIS WORLD...
I FINALLY FIGURED IT OUT! IT'S NOT ME... IT'S *THIS WORLD* THAT DOESN'T BELONG!
AVENGERS HEADQUARTERS!
THAT BUTLER OF THEIRS HAD BETTER NOT TRY TO STOP ME! HE'S *TOUGH!*
BEWARE! THE SEAGOING SOARER IS HERE TO CAPTURE YOU!
I AM A MYSTERY VILLAIN WHOSE IDENTITY WILL NOT BE REVEALED UNTIL PAGE 43* AND I --
*Now DON'T peek!
I... I...
... I SEE YOU HAVE ALL FROZEN YOURSELVES FOR ANOTHER ERA...
... AND I CAN'T SAY I BLAME YOU!
DO NOT OPEN 'TIL X-MAS 2099!

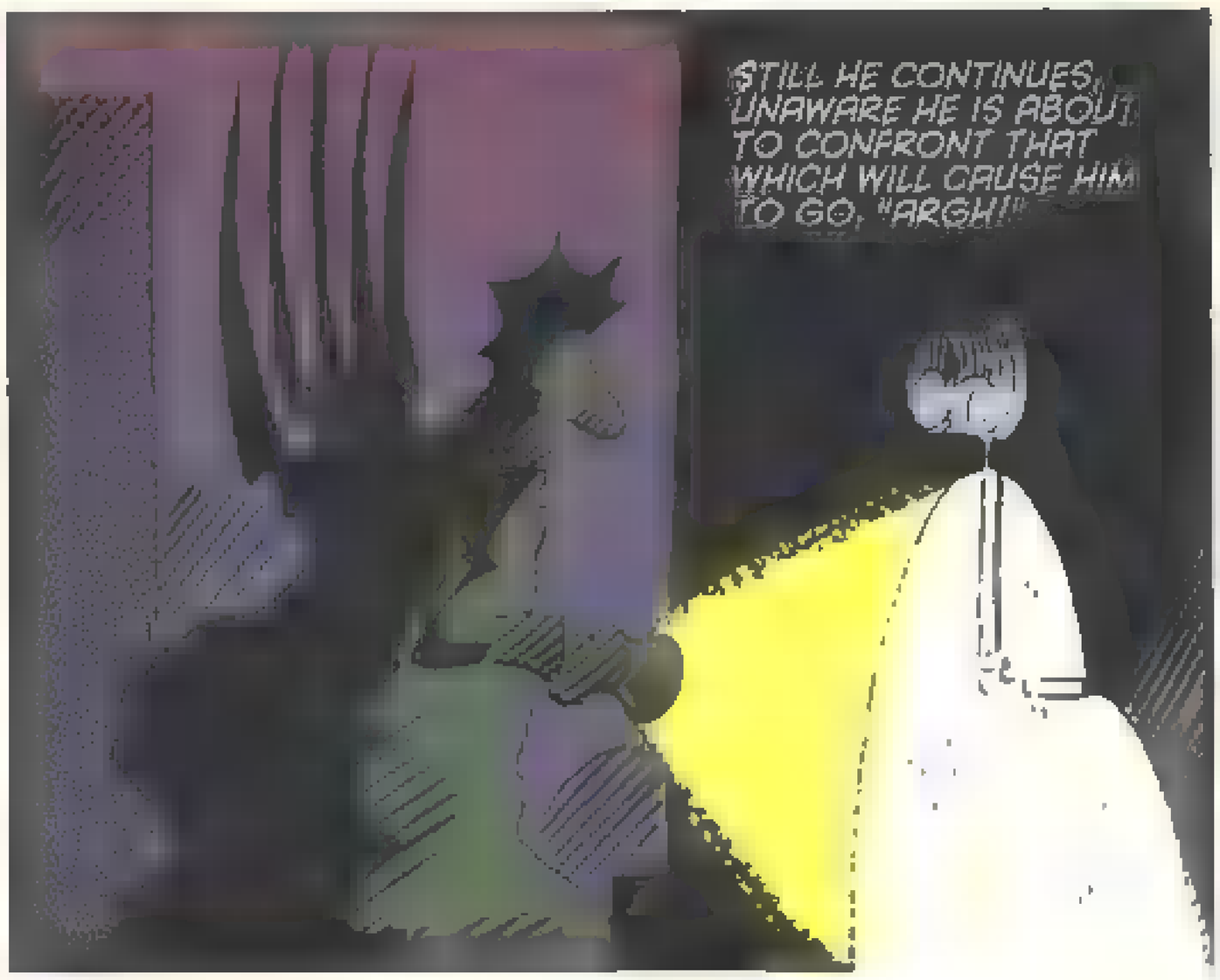

NIGHTTIME SETTLES OVER THE MANSION LIKE THE SMELL OF MONTH-OLD COTTAGE CHEESE.


A SOLITARY FIGURE APPROACHES THE REAR ENTRANCE...
AS NERVOUS AS A MAN HITCHHIKING THROUGH JURASSIC PARK IN A SUIT MADE OF MEAT LOAF...


CAUTIOUSLY, HE PUSHES OPEN A DOOR LEFT UNLATCHED...
CAUTIOUSLY, HE ENTERS WITH BUT ONE THOUGHT OVERWHELMING HIS SENSES...


THEY GOTTA HAVE A BATHROOM HERE SOMEPLACE --!


HIS PRESENCE CAUSES A SECURITY CAMERA TO SPARK TO LIFE...
...CAUSES A SILENT ALERT TO BLARE ITS MESSAGE THROUGH THE HOUSE...
INTRUDER ALERT


STILL HE CONTINUES, UNAWARE HE IS ABOUT TO CONFRONT THAT WHICH WILL CAUSE HIM TO GO, "ARGH!"

ARGH!
SEEP

Stan Lee DENIES THESE ARE THE UNCANNY X-MEN

the phoenix shall not die or be reborn in this story!

HURRIEDLY, THEY ASSEMBLE FROM THEIR VARIOUS ROOMS AND MINI-SERIES... A BAND OF ULTRA-POWERED BEINGS WHO CAN RIP ANYONE TO SHREDS BUT WHO STILL WHINE THEY AREN'T ACCEPTED...

...AND NOT ONLY THAT, THEY'RE TRAPPED IN A WORLD THEY NEVER MADE... AND AREN'T WE ALL GETTING SICK OF THIS LINE?

SPEAK! TELL US WHICH OF OUR MANY ENEMIES SENT YOU!

WAS IT MAGNETO?

THE JUGGERNAUT?

THE MORLOCKS?

TALK, BUB! SPILL IT OR I'LL GO *SNIKT* AND SPILL YER BLOOD!

TH-THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER!

...SPAWN OF EVIL THAT NOT EVEN *WE* CAN OPPOSE!

I-I-I JUST CAME TO READ YOUR M-M-METER...
PLEASE DON'T HURT ME.
WE HEARD THE ALARM!
I HAD TO PLUCK MY WINGS *FIRST*! WHERE'S THE INTRUDER?
IT'S ONLY THE METER READER! THE *CRISIS* IS OVER!
MAYBE NOT. YOUR ELECTRIC BILL FOR THIS MONTH IS THREE MILLION DOLLARS!
IT'S ALL THOSE *VIDEO GAMES* WE PLAY... THE LIFE-THREATENING ONES, IN PARTICULAR!
WHAT IF THEY TURN OFF OUR ELECTRICITY?
DEM BUMS WOULDN'T DARE! I'D MURDERIZE 'EM I'D *SNIKT* 'EM!
DEY WOULDN'T *DARE* TURN OFF OUR POWER!
WOULD DEY --?

ANOTHER HUMAN-SPAWNED ATTEMPT TO OSTRACIZE US FROM THE MAINSTREAM OF SOCIETY!
Oh, THE AGONY OF BEING A PERSECUTED MINORITY!
I KNOW JUST HOW YOU FEEL, PAL.
YOU'RE NOT A MINORITY! YOU'RE NOT EVEN A MUTANT!
IN MARVEL COMICS, NON-MUTANTS ARE THE MINORITY!
I MAY BE THE ONLY ONE OF MY KIND!
WAIT! WE HAVE ANOTHER INTRUDER!
LET'S ALL CHARGE INTO BATTLE IN ONE BIG PANEL!
Oh, I LIKE THESE PANELS!
THEY RAISE THE VALUE OF THE ORIGINAL WHEN THE ARTIST SELLS IT!
AND THEY MAKE GREAT T-SHIRTS!
BATTLE THE INTRUDER!
WE DON'T EVEN KNOW WHO IT IS YET --!
WHO CARES WHO THE BUM IS?
WE ARE MORE THAN OVERDUE FOR A FIGHT SCENE!
Oh, WAIT! FIRST WE NEED A SCENE OF TORTURED INTROSPECTION! CUT TO THE ROOF!

THE MOON LOOMS AS SILENT OBSERVER TO AN INTERLUDE: A MAN OF RAVAGED SENSIBILITY CONFRONTS A WOMAN WHO HAS SHARED HIS PAIN... AND IN SO DOING, CONFRONTS HIMSELF...

I LIVE IN PAIN, PHOENIX, FOR MY SOUL ACHES WITH --

I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHO YOU ARE! THE CAPTION COVERING YOUR FACE!

AFTER ALL WE HAVE BEEN THROUGH, YOU DIDN'T RECOGNIZE MY VOICE?

SORRY, CYCLOPS...

EVERYONE IN THESE COMICS TALKS LIKE THAT. PROCEED.

MY SOUL ACHES, FOR I LIVE WITH A CURSE...

OH, NOT THIS SPEECH AGAIN...

THE AGONY OF MY BIRTHRIGHT CONDEMNS ME...

DO I SOUND THIS BORING WHEN I TALK LIKE THIS?

I OFTEN WONDER WHO I AM.

BUY A MARVEL UNIVERSE HANDBOOK, FELLA!

IF I ONLY HAD A BRAIN... *

HURRY UP.

*"Obligatory WIZARD OF OZ" reference

I CAN NEVER KNOW FREEDOM FROM MY ACCURSED EYE-BEAMS...

I HOPE THEY DON'T SWITCH TO THE TINIER LETTERING. IT'S HARD TO READ.

I DARE NOT EVEN LOOK INTO THE FACE OF THE ONE I LOVE WITHOUT MY PROTECTIVE LENSES!

WHY IF I WERE TO SO MUCH AS WINK AT HER, I COULD INCINERATE HER!

GUESS IT'S MY TURN...

LIKE OUR BROTHER AND SISTER MUTANTS (AND BILL CLINTON), I SHARE YOUR PAIN, CYCLOPS...

LET'S KISS!

THE MOMENT OF SHARED TERROR BONDS THE TWO...

...FOR ONLY THEY KNOW THE CURSE THAT COMES UPON A BIRTH WITH GENETIC ABILITY. FOR SCOTT SUMMERS, BURDENED WITH THE POWER TO FIRE POWERFUL -- YET UNCONTROLLABLE -- OPTIC BLASTS FROM HIS EYES, HE MUST ALSO RELIVE THE MOMENT HE WAS CALLED UPON TO SACRIFICE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON AND TO REMEMBER

ENOUGH! THIS GAME MUST END!
NEVER MIND THIS GAME! DO SOMETHIN' ABOUT THAT LAST CAPTION!
SO YOUR NAME IS THE SEAGOING SOARER! WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH US?
YOU ARE COMING WITH ME!
WE CAN'T! WE'RE BOOKED FOR NINETY-THREE GUEST APPEARANCES IN OTHER COMICS THIS WEEK!
WE AIN'T GOIN', BUB!
AND YOU CAN'T MAKE US!
Oh, I CAN'T, CAN'T I? WELL, WAIT UNTIL YOU SEE WHAT I HAVE IN THIS MAYONNAISE JAR...
...WATER FROM THE EAST RIVER!
NO! NOT THAT!
THE DEADLIEST SUBSTANCE KNOWN TO MORTAL MAN!

IT REALLY FROM HE EAST RIVER?
DEFINITELY! THERE'S A MOB INFORMANT IN IT!
THRASH ABOUT IN IT ALL YOU WANT! IT WILL DO YOU NO GOOD!
I HAVE MASTERY OVER WATER! ALSO, COFFEE, TEA AND MOST DIET COLAS!
MY TIDAL WAVE HAS KNOCKED THE FIGHT OUT OF THEM!
I SHALL TAKE STORM AND WOLVERINE! THEY HAD THE BEST-SELLING SPIN-OFF BOOKS!
AND NOW, MY "COLLECTION" IS COMPLETE AND I CAN PROCEED TO THE NEXT STEP!
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO SELL US ON THE HOME SHOPPING NETWORK, ARE YOU?
WHAT IS THIS JOKER UP TO?
Oh, NO! MARVEL HEROES IN BIG TROUBLE! STORY IS WAY OUT OF CONTROL NOW!
WHO IS SOARER HOMBRE?

SOON, THE HEROES ARE GATHERED ON AN ALIEN LANDSCAPE...

I WANT TO BE HOME WITH MY WIFE, THE GORGEOUS ACTRESS-MODEL WHO LOVES ME!

YOURS IS TRULY A TROUBLED, TRAGIC LIFE, SPIDER-MAN!

NO, I USED TO BE GREEN BUT THEY DID A REVAMP ON ME...

ARE THESE THE SAME BOYS WHO WORKED ON MICHAEL JACKSON?

WHO *IS* THIS CLOWN WHO BROUGHT US HERE?

BEATS ME! HE ISN'T EVEN IN THE TRADING CARD SET!

I'M HOPING THAT, IF THERE'S A BIG BATTLE, I CAN DO MORE THAN JUST LOOK PRETTY!

I CAN GIVE YOU SOME POINTERS!

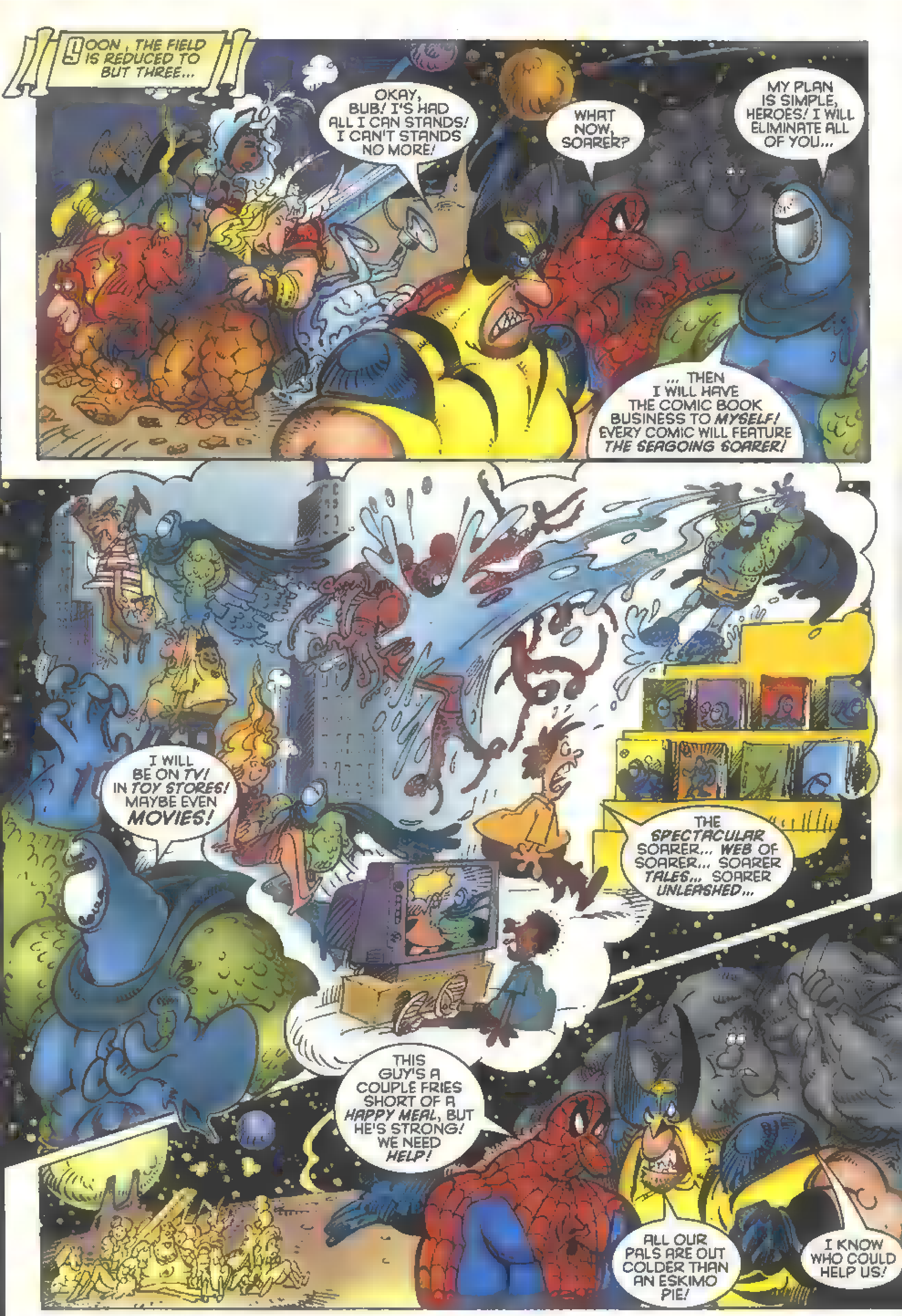
MOMENTS LATER, THE SOARER RETURNS...

I HAVE THE LAST OF THE HEROES I NEED! NOTHING CAN *STOP ME!*

GEE, I NEVER HEARD A VILLAIN SAY *THAT* BEFORE!

THOR, DAREDEVIL AND IRON MAN -- YOU ARE MINE NOW!
BY THE TOENAILS OF ODIN! THEE IS THOU THINE!
I NEVER COULD UNDERSTAND HIM!
WHAT DO YOU SAY, GUYS? TIME WE FOUGHT BACK?
YER DANGED RIGHT, MATE!
HO-HUM. GODS AND MUTANTS ARE ATTACKING ME...
... HOW UTTERLY DROLL.
HE ISN'T SCARED! DOESN'T HE KNOW HOW POWERFUL WE ARE?
HOW SAVAGE AND RUTHLESS?
YOU CANNOT DEFEAT ME! AND DO YOU KNOW WHY? BECAUSE THIS IS A MARVEL COMIC AND YOU ARE HEROES!
HE IS RIGHT!
HOW IS HE RIGHT? WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?
RULE 17B OF MARVELDOM...
"WHENEVER TWO OR MORE HEROES CONVERGE, THEY MUST FIGHT FOR NO VISIBLE REASON!"

I SHALL DESTROY YOU, SURFER! (WELL, NOT REALLY, BUT I HAVE TO SAY THAT...)
I SHALL EXTINGUISH YOUR FIRE, TORCH! (SAME THING...)
YOU WAS GREEN, NOW YER GRAY...
... BY THE TIME I'M DONE YER GONNA BE BLACK AND BLUE!
I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOU NEVER CONTRIBUTED ANYTHING!
I DON'T NEED THIS...
... I HAVE A SHOW ON THE FOX NETWORK!
THEE HAST THOU THINE!
WHAT-EVER YOU SAY, FELLA!
LET'S GET THIS OVER WITH AND GET BACK TO THE PLOT -- IF THERE IS ONE!
SOME "SUPER HERO"... PICKING ON A BLIND GUY...


SOON, THE FIELD IS REDUCED TO BUT THREE...
OKAY, BUB! I'S HAD ALL I CAN STANDS! I CAN'T STANDS NO MORE!
WHAT NOW, SOARER?
MY PLAN IS SIMPLE, HEROES! I WILL ELIMINATE ALL OF YOU...
... THEN I WILL HAVE THE COMIC BOOK BUSINESS TO MYSELF! EVERY COMIC WILL FEATURE THE SERGOING SOARER!
I WILL BE ON TV! IN TOY STORES! MAYBE EVEN MOVIES!
THE SPECTACULAR SOARER... WEB OF SOARER... SOARER TALES... SOARER UNLEASHED...
THIS GUY'S A COUPLE FRIES SHORT OF A HAPPY MEAL, BUT HE'S STRONG! WE NEED HELP!
ALL OUR PALS ARE OUT COLDER THAN AN ESKIMO PIE!
I KNOW WHO COULD HELP US!

HE'S RIGHT UP THERE!
THIS IS HIS PEN!
HEY! WHAT THE BLAZES DO YA THINK YER DOIN'?
I CAN PULL HIM DOWN INTO THIS SCENE!
THAT WON'T WORK! ALL HE HAS TO DO IS LET GO OF THE PEN!
HE'S A CARTOONIST! THEY'RE ALL TOO CHEAP TO GO BUY NEW ART SUPPLIES!
JUAT? YOU LET GO MY HAND! LET GO! BAD SUPER HERO!
YOU NO LET GO, I DRAW LADIES' CLOTHES ON YOU!
HELP! MARK!
HE GOT ME BY MY NIB!
AND SO, SERGIO IS PULLED DOWN INTO HIS OWN DRAWING...
... AND FINDS HIMSELF TRAPPED IN A WORLD HE ACTUALLY MADE (BY GOD, IT'S ABOUT TIME SOMEONE DID!)
VERY CLEVER OF YOU, HULK!
BUT IT'LL TAKE MORE THAN A CARTOONIST TO FOIL MY SCHEME FOR NEWSSTAND DOMINATION!

I NOT KNOW WHO YOU ARE, BUT YOU *BAD MAN!* YOU TAKE OFF MASK! LET ME SEE YOUR *UGLY FACE!*

CERTAINLY! IT'S PAGE FORTY-THREE!* TIME FOR ME TO REVEAL MY TRUE IDENTITY!

* You DIDN'T peek did you?

NO! CANNOT BE! IS *LAST* PERSON I WOULD EVER THINK WOULD BE *SEAGOING SOARER!*

IS *ME!?*

INDEED! AND IF YOU COULD SPELL, YOU'D HAVE REALIZED THAT THE LETTERS OF "*SERGIO ARAGONES*" CAN BE REARRANGED TO SPELL "*SEAGOING SOARER!*"

DON'T LAUGH! IT TOOK THE WRITER NINE DAYS TO FIGURE THAT OUT!

YOU HAVE BEEN DRAWING YOURSELF SO LONG, YOU SUBCONSCIOUSLY DREW *YOURSELF* AS THE MYSTERY VILLAIN!

THIS WORSE THAN I THOUGHT!

IS *EVIL TWIN* STORY!

SERGIO! I HAVE A PLAN TO GET RID OF HIM!

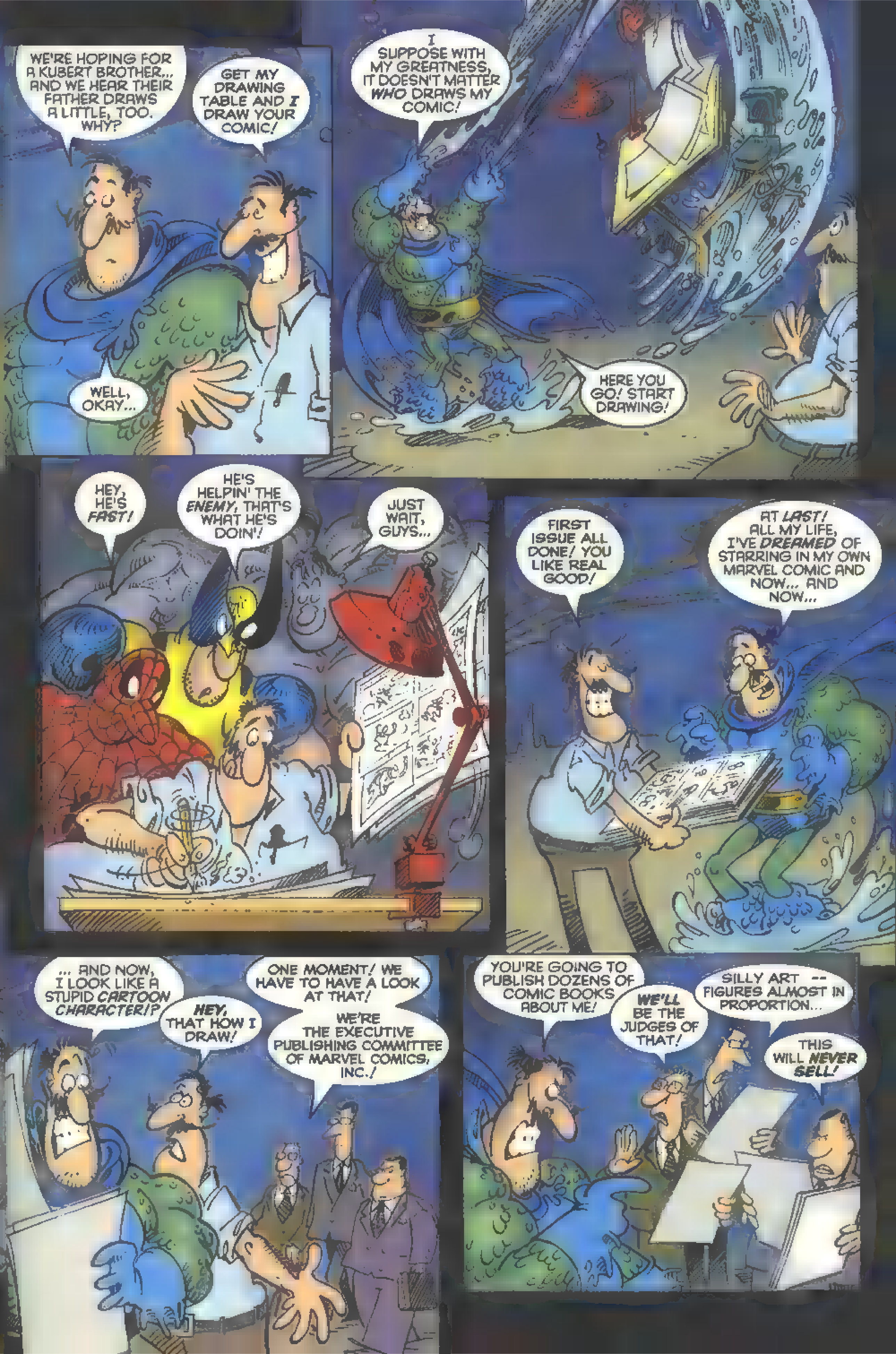
I THOUGHT YOU DUMB AS A BRICK!?

THAT WAS THE *OLD HULK!* NOW, LISTEN...

AND SO THE HULK POURS OUT HIS PLAN TO THE ARTIST WHO RESPONDS WITH THE CLICHÉ...

SOUNDS CRAZY BUT... IT JUST MIGHT WORK!

HEY, SOARER! WHO DRAW YOUR COMIC BOOK?


WE'RE HOPING FOR A KUBERT BROTHER... AND WE HEAR THEIR FATHER DRAWS A LITTLE, TOO. WHY?
GET MY DRAWING TABLE AND I DRAW YOUR COMIC!
WELL, OKAY...
I SUPPOSE WITH MY GREATNESS, IT DOESN'T MATTER WHO DRAWS MY COMIC!
HERE YOU GO! START DRAWING!
HEY, HE'S FAST!
HE'S HELPIN' THE ENEMY, THAT'S WHAT HE'S DOIN'!
JUST WAIT, GUYS...
FIRST ISSUE ALL DONE! YOU LIKE REAL GOOD!
AT LAST! ALL MY LIFE, I'VE DREAMED OF STARRING IN MY OWN MARVEL COMIC AND NOW... AND NOW...
... AND NOW, I LOOK LIKE A STUPID CARTOON CHARACTER!?
HEY, THAT HOW I DRAW!
ONE MOMENT! WE HAVE TO HAVE A LOOK AT THAT!
WE'RE THE EXECUTIVE PUBLISHING COMMITTEE OF MARVEL COMICS, INC.!
YOU'RE GOING TO PUBLISH DOZENS OF COMIC BOOKS ABOUT ME!
WE'LL BE THE JUDGES OF THAT!
SILLY ART -- FIGURES ALMOST IN PROPORTION...
THIS WILL NEVER SELL!

TAKE IT OVER TO THE ARCHIE PEOPLE!
NO! I MUST BE IN MARVEL COMIC! IT'S MY ONLY DREAM!
WHAT THEY MEAN, "SILLY ART?"
MY HOPES ARE SHATTERED! MY LIFE IS MEANINGLESS!
I'M MELTING! I'M MELTING!*
*Obligatory "WIZARD OF OZ" reference.
I'M PUTTING HIS REMAINS IN A MYLAR BAG SO WE CAN SELL HIM AT A CONVENTION!
ARAGONÉS, YOU SAVED US! HOW CAN WE THANK YOU?
SEND ME HOME, POR FAVOR?
I THINK I CAN ARRANGE THAT--!
-- AND AWAAAY WE GO!
SO LONG, SERGIO!
Ow... THOU HEAD IS THOU HURT!
AND SO, THE WEARY HEROES BEGIN THE TRUDGE HOME...
WHAT A TERRIBLE SUPER-VILLAIN!
HEY, AT LEAST IT WASN'T Dr. DOOM AGAIN!
I CAN'T BELIEVE THEY DID THAT STUPID EVIL TWIN PLOT!
IT COULD HAVE BEEN WORSE! THEY COULD HAVE STOOPED TO THE OLD "IT WAS ALL A DREAM" ENDING!

Huh? WHAT --?
I MUST HAVE DOZED OFF...

HOLA, MARK/ WHILE YOU SLEEP, I GET ALL MARVEL BOOKS ON SCHEDULE/
I JUST HAD THE STRANGEST DREAM... YOU WERE A VILLAIN NAMED THE SEAGOING SOARER AND YOU...

SERGIO/ JUST WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?
.. HE ASKED, FEARING THE ANSWER...
I DRAW ONE ISSUE, EVERY MARVEL BOOK/ ALL BOOKS MAKE DEADLINES THIS WAY/
I ONLY DRAW ONE EACH BECAUSE NO MORE PAPER IN PLACE TO DRAW ON/ THEY BE PLEASED, NO?

THEY BE PLEASED, NO/ SERGIO, THEY'RE NOT GOING TO PRINT THIS STUFF/
WHY NOT? LOOK JUST LIKE MARVEL COMICS/

GOOD LUNCH, GUYS/
WE'D BETTER GET BACK TO WORK/ MOST OF THE BOOKS ARE BEHIND/
YOU DIDN'T BELIEVE THAT SILLY MEMO, DID YOU?
I HAVE ALL THE BOOKS DONE/ I DRAW -- MMMPPH!

WHAT DID YOU DO? THIS ART IS... ALL WRONG!
I FORGET WINGS ON CAPTAIN AMERICA'S HEAD?
I CAN EXPLAIN. WELL, NO, I CAN'T...
HE USED UP ALL OUR DRAWING PAPER WITH THAT JUNK!

THIS HOW THEY THANK PEOPLE?
DO THE WORDS, "RUN FOR YOUR LIFE" MEAN ANYTHING TO YOU?

AND STAY OUT!

THEY TREAT ME LIKE THAT! I GOT GOOD MIND, NEVER DRAW FOR THEM AGAIN --
-- EVEN IF THEY OFFER MONEY!
LET'S GO BACK TO YOUR STUDIO! YOU CAN TRY SOME OTHER COMPANY!

IT WAS THE STRANGEST DREAM... YOU HAD AN EVIL TWIN...
EVIL TWIN? DREAM ENDING? THAT MUY STUPIDO, MARK...
MARVEL NEVER PRINT ANYTHING LIKE THAT... EVEN IF I DRAW IT...

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